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Section I.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Exclusive of Full-blood Australian Aboriginals).						Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1927.*a*
		Census—4th April, 1921.			Estimated, 31st December, 1927.			
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. ..	309,432	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	1,223,976	1,176,290	2,400,266	1,101,190
Victoria..	87,884	754,724	776,556	1,531,280	867,409	873,981	1,741,390	975,160
Q'land ..	670,500	398,969	357,003	755,972	475,147	424,029	899,176	295,430
S. Aust...	380,070	248,267	246,893	495,160	298,262	277,509	575,771	327,686
W. Aust.	975,920	177,278	155,454	332,732	211,628	180,664	392,292	191,791
Tasmania	26,215	107,743	106,037	213,780	107,036	108,826	215,862	54,990
N. Ter. ..	523,620	2,821	1,046	3,867	3,137	1,224	4,361	..
Fed. Cap. Territory	940	1,567	1,005	2,572	3,228	2,508 (*b*)	5,736	..
Total	2,974,581	2,762,870	2,672,864	5,435,734	3,189,823	3,045,031	6,234,854	2,946,247

(*a*) The areas embraced in each case were Sydney, 118,299 acres; Melbourne, 165,666 acres; Brisbane, 246,400 acres; Adelaide, 137,716 acres; Perth, 87,563 acres; and Hobart, 54,890 acres.

(*b*) Exclusive of 2,432 permanent residents temporarily absent at the 31st December, 1927, viz., 1,643 Males, 789 Females.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*a*	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1923	2,209,445	1,625,380	811,168	524,748	353,815	219,074	3,555	2,622	5,749,807
1924	2,254,450	1,657,095	834,894	538,506	364,124	217,839	3,597	2,998	5,873,503
1925	2,298,442	1,684,017	861,185	551,633	372,183	217,032	3,656	3,936	5,992,084
1926	2,347,781	1,711,827	882,193	566,394	378,746	214,754	3,898	4,921	6,110,514
1927	2,400,266	1,741,390	899,176	575,771	392,292	215,862	4,361	5,736	6,234,854

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*a*	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1923	2,190,410	1,607,773	802,748	517,445	348,275	215,327	3,610	3,315	5,688,903
1924	2,228,337	1,641,852	825,151	529,691	359,521	214,687	3,603	3,848	5,806,690
1925	2,274,247	1,671,467	851,419	543,986	368,194	213,469	3,681	4,721	5,931,184
1926	2,320,288	1,696,670	875,187	558,883	374,996	211,216	3,765	6,106	6,047,111
1927	2,372,643	1,727,413	891,908	571,098	385,011	209,994	4,234	7,342	6,169,643

(*a*) Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926	1927.
NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).						
New South Wales	36,004	33,021	32,870	33,793	30,957	31,090
Victoria	21,133	18,658	19,637	20,085	19,027	18,301
Queensland	12,835	12,089	12,381	12,738	11,550	11,755
South Australia	7,393	6,731	6,722	6,478	6,606	6,364
Western Australia	4,964	4,924	5,038	4,870	4,951	5,089
Tasmania	3,820	3,520	3,260	3,222	3,076	2,800
Northern Territory ..	10	34	13	3	9	—8
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	26	9	26	35	34	25
Total	86,185	78,986	79,947	81,224	76,210	75,416
NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).						
New South Wales	9,012	3,492	12,135	10,199	18,382	21,395
Victoria	18,406	16,497	12,078	6,837	8,783	11,262
Queensland	7,224	10,789	11,345	13,553	9,458	5,228
South Australia	3,390	4,823	7,036	6,649	8,155	3,013
Western Australia	2,929	5,283	5,271	3,189	1,612	8,457
Tasmania	— 3,212	— 3,370	— 4,495	— 4,029	—5,354	— 1,692
Northern Territory ..	— 193	— 30	29	56	233	471
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	467	56	350	903	951	790
Total	38,023	37,540	43,749	37,357	42,220	48,024

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Deaths over Births, and Emigration over Immigration.

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.						
New South Wales	45,016	36,513	45,005	43,992	49,339	52,485
Victoria	39,539	35,155	31,715	26,922	27,810	29,563
Queensland	20,059	22,878	23,726	26,291	21,008	16,983
South Australia	10,783	11,554	13,758	13,127	14,761	9,377
Western Australia	7,893	10,207	10,309	8,059	6,563	13,546
Tasmania	608	150	—1,235	— 807	— 2,278	1,108
Northern Territory ..	— 183	4	42	59	242	463
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	493	65	376	938	985	815
Total	124,208	116,526	123,696	118,581	118,430	124,340

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1927.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
New South Wales	27,792	26,047	53,839	12,967	9,782	22,749	20,052
Victoria	18,068	17,006	35,074	8,982	7,791	16,773	13,608
Queensland ..	10,197	9,636	19,833	4,846	3,232	8,078	6,277
South Australia ..	5,865	5,627	11,492	2,773	2,355	5,128	4,501
Western Australia	4,366	4,116	8,482	2,115	1,278	3,393	3,108
Tasmania ..	2,515	2,318	4,833	1,074	959	2,033	1,432
Northern Territory	32	36	68	69	7	76	29
Fed. Cap. Territory	45	32	77	32	20	52	29
Total ..	68,880	64,818	133,698	32,858	25,424	58,282	49,036

BIRTHS—NUMBER, 1922 TO 1927.

States and Territories.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.
New South Wales	55,170	54,069	53,705	54,615	53,116	53,839
Victoria	36,288	35,877	36,140	35,922	35,362	35,074
Queensland	19,987	19,982	19,708	20,283	19,764	19,833
South Australia	12,001	11,692	11,592	11,457	11,483	11,492
Western Australia	8,131	7,854	8,301	8,185	8,301	8,482
Tasmania	5,817	5,657	5,383	5,218	4,988	4,833
Northern Territory	70	72	57	65	73	68
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	32	19	41	47	75	77
Total	137,496	135,222	134,927	135,792	133,162	133,698

BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	25.67	24.68	24.11	24.01	22.89	22.69
Victoria	23.10	22.31	22.01	21.49	20.84	20.30
Queensland	25.59	24.89	23.87	23.82	22.58	22.24
South Australia	23.71	22.60	21.88	21.06	20.55	20.12
Western Australia	23.94	22.55	23.09	22.23	22.14	22.03
Tasmania	27.08	26.27	25.07	24.24	23.62	23.01
Northern Territory ..	19.16	19.94	15.82	17.66	19.39	16.06
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	11.37	5.73	10.65	9.96	12.28	10.49
Total	24.69	23.77	23.24	22.89	22.02	21.67

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.
DEATHS—NUMBER, 1922 TO 1927.						
New South Wales	19,166	21,048	20,835	20,822	22,159	22,749
Victoria	15,155	17,219	16,503	15,837	16,335	16,773
Queensland	7,152	7,893	7,327	7,545	8,214	8,078
South Australia	4,608	4,961	4,870	4,979	4,877	5,128
Western Australia	3,167	2,930	3,263	3,315	3,350	3,393
Tasmania	1,997	2,137	2,123	1,996	1,912	2,033
Northern Territory ..	60	38	44	62	64	76
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	6	10	15	12	41	52
Total	51,311	56,236	54,980	54,568	56,952	58,282
DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales	8.92	9.61	9.35	9.16	9.55	9.59
Victoria	9.65	10.71	10.05	9.47	9.63	9.71
Queensland	9.16	9.83	8.87	8.86	9.39	9.06
South Australia	9.11	9.59	9.19	9.15	8.73	8.98
Western Australia	9.32	8.41	9.08	9.00	8.93	8.81
Tasmania	9.30	9.92	9.89	9.35	9.05	9.68
Northern Territory ..	16.42	10.53	12.21	16.84	17.00	17.95
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	2.13	3.02	3.90	2.54	6.71	7.08
Total	9.22	9·89	9.47	9.20	9.42	9.45
MARRIAGES—NUMBER, 1922 TO 1927.						
New South Wales	17,580	17,523	18,072	18,522	19,219	20,052
Victoria	12,996	13,126	13,296	13,370	13,405	13,608
Queensland	5,878	5,814	6,234	6,471	6,428	6,277
South Australia	4,144	4,099	4,121	4,255	4,503	4,501
Western Australia	2,446	2,376	2,596	2,746	2,844	3,108
Tasmania	1,674	1,592	1,529	1,504	1,435	1,432
Northern Territory ..	13	7	17	20	14	29
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	..	4	4	11	17	29
Total	44,731	44,541	45,869	46,899	47,865	49,036

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.
MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales	8.18	8.00	8.11	8.14	8.28	8.45
Victoria	8.27	8.16	8.10	8.00	7.90	7.88
Queensland	7.52	7.24	7.55	7.60	7.34	7.04
South Australia	8.19	7.92	7.78	7.82	8.06	7.88
Western Australia.. ..	7.20	6.82	7.22	7.46	7.58	8.07
Tasmania	7.79	7.39	7.12	7.05	6.79	6.82
Northern Territory ..	3.56	1.94	4.72	5.43	3.72	6.85
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	..	1.21	1.04	2.33	2.78	3.95
Total	8.03	7.83	7.90	7.91	7.92	7.95
DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE, 1922 TO 1927.						
New South Wales	2,957	3,277	3,165	3,001	3,060	2,958
Victoria	1,936	2,356	2,216	2,047	1,969	1,966
Queensland	1,007	1,078	1,011	917	1,001	1,080
South Australia	570	705	595	528	509	614
Western Australia.. ..	452	442	414	463	409	389
Tasmania	324	325	296	288	233	256
Northern Territory ..	4	1	2	2	5	7
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	1	..	2	5	4	13
Total	7,251	8,184	7,701	7,251	7,190	7,283
INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.						
New South Wales	53.60	60.68	58.93	54.95	57.61	54.94
Victoria	53.35	65.70	61.32	56.98	55.68	56.05
Queensland	50.38	53.95	51.30	45.21	50.65	54.45
South Australia	47.50	60.30	51.33	46.09	44.33	53.43
Western Australia.. ..	55.59	56.02	49.87	56.57	49.27	45.86
Tasmania	55.70	57.45	54.99	55.19	46.71	52.97
Northern Territory ..	57.14	13.89	35.09	30.77	68.49	102.94
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	31.25	..	48.78	106.38	53.33	168.83
Total	52.74	60.52	57.08	53.40	53.99	54.47

ESTIMATED MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA, 1922 to 1928.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (*a*) over (*b*).
	Males.	Females.	Persons. (*a*)	Males.	Females.	Persons. (*b*)	
1922 ..	58,057	35,456	93,513	31,660	23,830	55,490	38,023
1923 ..	56,415	36,444	92,859	30,317	25,002	55,319	37,540
1924 ..	62,400	41,267	103,667	33,551	26,367	59,918	43,749
1925 ..	59,602	40,473	100,075	34,543	28,175	62,718	37,357
1926 ..	62,743	45,181	107,924	36,512	29,192	65,704	42,220
1927 ..	69,540	47,883	117,423	38,320	30,179	68,499	48,924
1928 (3 mths.)	16,631	12,678	29,309	11,869	9,931	21,800	7,509
1927 (3 mths.)	18,465	13,054	31,519	11,558	9,627	21,185	10,334

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived or departed during the first quarter of the Years 1927 and 1928.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year.		Year.	
	1927.	1928.	1927.	1928.
European Race—				
British	25,469	23,787	16,907	17,650
Danish	59	33	29	50
Dutch	64	56	70	52
Finnish	25	56	14	15
French	220	200	274	248
German	169	244	87	134
Greek	394	379	89	143
Italian	2,055	1,094	291	446
Jugo-Slav	392	332	124	114
Maltese (British)	161	42	29	92
Norwegian	22	31	14	26
Swedish	24	23	14	16
Russian	101	134	16	52
Swiss	88	75	32	54
United States	579	502	594	468
Others of European Race	472	750	101	117
Total, European Race	30,294	27,738	18,685	19,677
Non-European—				
Afghans	..	..	..	2
Armenians	..	..	..	..
Chinese	577	645	1,105	900
Filipinos	..	4	3	8
Japanese	70	103	290	144
Malays	1	55	29	19
Natives of East Indies	97	119	287	228
Natives of India and Ceylon ..	113	195	79	100
Siamese	..	..	..	1
Syrians	93	57	5	16
Other Asiatics	70	154	19	21
Negroes, African	..	..	..	..
„ American	..	18	..	..
Papuans	161	132	128	114
Polynesians, Melanesians	37	81	24	24
Other Non-European Races ..	6	8	2	..
Total, Non-European Races	1,225	1,571	1,971	1,577
Allowance for unrecorded departures ..	..	..	529	546
TOTAL, ALL NATIONALITIES OR RACES ..	31,519	29,309	21,185	21,800

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrive or to which they departed during the first quarter of the Years 1927 and 1928.

Country.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year.		Year.	
	1927.	1928.	1927.	1928.
Great Britain	13,849	11,505	6,277	6,748
Canada	395	612	512	392
Fiji	485	585	249	335
Hong Kong	478	508	1,052	906
India and Ceylon	897	1,131	601	587
New Zealand	7,966	8,166	6,704	6,285
Norfolk Island	89	55	68	69
Papua	357	386	285	273
Solomon Islands	126	175	122	170
South African Union	503	370	512	560
Straits Settlements	436	398	723	635
Territory of New Guinea	307	306	255	403
Other British Possessions	58	135	68	156
Total, British Countries	25,946	24,332	17,428	17,519
Egypt	688	842	178	254
France	936	940	828	935
Germany	17	157	42	61
Italy	2,675	1,435	569	846
Japan	112	128	116	184
Netherlands East Indies	248	374	381	400
New Caledonia	145	164	156	122
Philippine Islands	42	46	15	50
South Sea Islands	70	95	73	74
United States	439	467	677	546
Other Foreign Countries	201	329	193	263
Total, Foreign Countries	5,573	4,977	3,228	3,735
Allowance for unrecorded departures ..	..	..	529	546
TOTAL, ALL COUNTRIES	31,519	29,309	21,185	21,800

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA, 1922-23 TO 1926-27.

AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total area under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1922–23 ..	9,763,861	1,014,376	313,202	3,338,456	216,886	16,572,250
1923–24 ..	9,540,434	1,076,930	316,307	3,406,226	237,280	16,531,186
1924–25 ..	10,824,966	1,165,127	398,949	3,026,405	273,512	17,278,191
1925–26 ..	10,201,276	1,013,233	297,140	2,832,003	288,872	16,793,578
1926–27 ..	11,687,919	844,114	286,178	2,699,631	284,828	17,772,499

TOTAL YIELD.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Cane Sugar. (a)
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1922–23 ..	109,454,842	14,982,155	7,388,314	4,148,989	2,315,982	306,365
1923–24 ..	124,993,271	17,303,325	8,114,733	4,051,934	2,177,892	286,004
1924–25 ..	164,558,734	19,393,737	12,432,037	4,068,419	3,400,319	427,327
1925–26 ..	114,504,392	12,211,657	7,431,561	2,677,945	3,965,587	517,970
1926–27 ..	160,761,886	12,571,203	6,970,273	3,487,352	3,155,916	415,272

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(b)	Tons.(b)
1922–23 ..	11.21	14.77	23.59	1.24	15.78	2.09
1923–24 ..	13.10	16.07	25.65	1.19	14.97	1·97
1924–25 ..	15.20	16.65	31.16	1.34	19.38	2.44
1925–26 ..	11.22	12.05	25.01	0.95	19.99	2.61
1926–27 ..	13.75	14.89	24.36	1.29	15.87	2.08

(a) Estimated production 1927, 509,963 tons. (b) Per acre of productive cane.

AREA UNDER WHEAT, 1922-23 TO 1927-28.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1922–23	2,942,339	2,644,314	145,492	2,453,086	1,552,868	25,244	518	9,763,861
1923–24	2,945,040	2,454,117	51,149	2,418,415	1,656,915	14,503	295	9,540,434
1924–25	3,549,367	2,705,323	189,145	2,499,852	1,867,614	12,954	711	10,824,966
1925–26	2,924,745	2,513,494	165,999	2,465,648	2,112,032	19,091	267	10,201,276
1926–27	3,352,298	2,915,315	57,084	2,768,403	2,571,187	23,194	438	11,687,919
1927–28a	2,990,500	2,900,000	230,000	2,862,000	2,812,308	28,000	..	11,822,808

(a) Final estimate.

TOTAL YIELD OF WHEAT, 1922-23 TO 1927-28.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1922–23	28,660,824	35,697,220	1,877,836	28,784,767	13,857,432	569,587	7,176	109,454,842
1923–24	33,171,300	37,795,704	243,713	34,551,955	18,920,271	305,628	4,700	124,993,271
1924–25	59,752,435	47,364,495	2,779,829	30,528,625	23,887,397	231,388	14,565	164,558,734
1925–26	33,800,619	29,255,534	1,973,477	28,603,101	20,471,177	395,603	4,881	114,504,392
1926–27	47,373,713	46,886,020	379,339	35,558,711	30,021,616	537,000	5,487	160,761,886
1927–28a	27,111,000	21,784,313	3,777,000	22,000,000	34,580,906	672,000	..	109,925,219

(a) Final estimate.

Principal Crops—Australia, 1922-23 to 1927-28—*continued.*

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE, 1922-23 TO 1927-28.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1922-23	9.74	13.50	12.91	11.73	8.92	22.56	13.95	11.21
1923-24	11.26	15.40	4.76	14.29	11.42	21.07	15.93	13.10
1924-25	16.83	17.51	14.70	12.21	12.79	17.86	20.49	15.20
1925-26	11.56	11.64	11.89	11.60	9.69	20.72	18.28	11.22
1926-27	14.13	16.08	6.65	12.84	11.68	23.15	12.53	13.75
1927-28*a*	9.07	7.51	16.42	7.69	12.30	24.00	..	9.30

(*a*) Final estimate.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK, 1921 TO 1926.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. *a*	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter. *a*	Total.
				SHEEP.					
1921	40,902,432	12,325,818	18,402,399	*a*6,257,052	6,506,177	1,551,273	6,349	167,568	86,119,068
1922	38,605,391	11,765,520	17,641,071	*a*6,305,133	6,664,135	1,558,494	6,161	154,609	82,700,514
1923	41,293,843	11,059,761	16,756,101	*a*6,596,875	6,595,867	1,557,716	4,728	146,157	84,011,048
1924	46,934,210	12,649,898	19,028,252	6,359,240	6,396,564	1,614,085	6,914	165,790	93,154,953
1925	53,687,749	13,740,500	20,663,323	6,810,495	6,861,795	1,619,075	8,030	172,251	103,563,218
1926	55,930,000	14,919,653	16,860,772	7,283,945	7,458,766	1,807,558	6,000	(*b*)	104,266,694
				CATTLE.					
1921	3,538,240	1,750,369	7,047,370	*a*419,197	893,108	216,704	568,031	8,290	14,441,309
1922	3,241,905	1,785,660	6,955,463	*a*425,811	939,596	218,197	760,766	6,275	14,336,673
1923	2,932,437	1,591,367	6,396,514	*a*413,272	953,764	220,351	843,718	6,085	13,357,508
1924	2,871,196	1,605,554	6,454,653	400,423	891,564	225,740	855,285	5,058	13,309,473
1925	2,931,818	1,513,787	6,436,645	373,597	835,911	212,373	970,342	5,312	13,279,785
1926	2,818,653	1,435,761	5,464,845	340,007	827,303	213,112	788,396	(*b*)	11,888,077
				HORSES.					
1921	668,501	496,124	746,281	*a*267,639	180,334	38,439	39,565	1,299	2,438,182
1922	658,686	494,947	713,015	*a*264,150	181,159	37,313	39,845	1,345	2,390,460
1923	656,939	486,075	660,387	*a*258,489	181,944	37,570	44,603	1,433	2,327,440
1924	646,110	473,236	659,023	255,022	175,116	37,091	45,059	1,393	2,292,050
1925	649,534	463,051	637,436	244,111	170,563	37,785	46,380	1,501	2,250,361
1926	623,392	447,988	570,690	234,352	166,463	36,830	27,791	(*b*)	2,107,506
				PIGS.					
1921	383,326	230,770	145,083	*a*87,667	63,001	49,743	452	343	960,385
1922	340,579	294,962	160,617	*a*75,520	67,561	46,056	361	274	985,930
1923	322,762	259,795	132,243	*a*73,414	61,478	47,101	647	434	897,874
1924	339,378	288,509	156,163	80,988	66,375	47,305	1,000	291	980,009
1925	382,331	339,601	199,598	90,794	74,316	41,009	382	343	1,128,374
1926	332,921	284,271	183,662	79,108	69,798	38,906	329	(*b*)	988,995

(*a*) At 30th June, year following. (*b*) Included with New South Wales.

NOTE.—The Government Statistician of New South Wales estimates that the number of sheep at 31st December, 1927, was 48,000,000.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—1921-22 TO 1926-27 (*d*)

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W. *a*	Victoria.	Q'land. *b*	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922..	333,856,000	128,512,777	142,579,733	57,764,173	47,301,039	11,634,624	30,000	721,678,346
1923..	336,899,000	127,467,950	144,971,150	58,698,738	45,139,138	12,218,550	20,000	725,414,526
1924..	303,032,000	107,513,361	131,913,075	57,881,936	49,055,393	11,712,273	20,000	661,128,038
1925..	369,118,000	133,484,871	152,131,544	62,438,953	44,307,052	12,483,452	20,000	773,983,872
1926..	402,490,000	139,076,017	158,744,544	69,007,266	48,547,780	12,564,000	30,000	830,459,607
1927..	495,820,000	*c*141,000,000	*c*119,847,967	72,365,200	56,403,691	*c*12,330,000	30,000	897,796,858

(*a*) Including Federal Capital Territory. (*b*) For year ended previous 31st December.
(*c*) Estimate. (*d*) Estimate for 1927-28, 800,000,000 lb.

NOTE.—In the total figures published above, the discrepancies in the returns of wool by land-holders compared with those obtained by taking exports plus local consumption returns have been eliminated. As the result of exhaustive inquiries in New South Wales and South Australia the statistics for those States have been revised by their respective Statisticians. Pending similar action the figures for the remaining States have been amended provisionally on the data available at the moment.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE, 1922 to 1926-27.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Fed. Cap. Ter.	Total.
BUTTER.								
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922 ..	73,705,349	84,355,940	53,785,599	14,646,632	2,766,533	5,716,708	18,248	234,995,009
1923 ..	72,666,613	86,888,725	40,659,634	17,244,389	3,005,491	6,183,521	17,480	226,665,853
1924 ..	117,195,871	100,849,382	70,406,492	16,066,694	2,962,630	6,455,746	15,476	313,952,291
1925-26..	106,953,339	81,747,291	63,001,073	13,882,850	2,591,818	5,122,992	14,322	273,313,685
1926-27..	98,000,000	81,995,815	51,402,633	13,416,904	3,829,728	6,032,597	..	254,677,677
1927-28(*b*) (6 months)	38,165,879	41,866,766	27,076,896	5,435,512	2,281,533	..	..	114,826,586
CHEESE.								
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922 ..	5,198,905	3,754,960	10,560,316	3,261,565	212	934,601	..	23,710,559
1923 ..	5,912,656	7,216,936	7,221,355	3,679,552	4,365	1,345,661	..	25,380,525
1924 ..	7,705,596	6,193,135	12,643,863	3,743,628	4,055	1,152,015	..	31,442,292
1925-26..	6,462,535	5,279,009	12,580,942	3,636,278	3,818	836,738	..	28,799,320
1926-27..	..	5,997,648	9,260,043	3,708,730	..	971,644	..	..
BACON AND HAM.								
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1922 ..	19,234,681	19,278,725	15,130,545	5,002,199	*a*2,950,220	1,778,015	11,185	62,485,570
1923 ..	19,044,294	22,549,998	16,219,969	5,095,970	*a*2,420,585	2,271,141	7,815	67,609,772
1924 ..	21,068,976	21,993,869	15,640,561	5,374,457	*a*2,797,151	2,428,966	7,820	69,311,800
1925-26..	22,949,531	21,213,925	18,326,728	5,600,760	*a*2,960,139	2,314,756	8,840	73,374,679
1926-27..	..	20,952,310	18,288,690	5,165,670	*a*2,678,830	1,946,323	..	..

(*a*) Including Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States. (*b*) Factory-made butter only from July to December, 1927. Factory butter on the average is approximately 93 per cent. of the total production.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED, 1921 to 1926.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. *a*	Total.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1921..	271,302	554,087	214,060	13,933	2,935,693	28,311	1,299	4,018,685
1922..	118,359	501,515	378,154	4,693	2,525,811	16,101	540	3,545,173
1923..	83,325	422,105	392,563	4,199	2,232,179	16,300	743	3,151,414
1924..	86,905	312,398	459,716	4,093	2,255,932	21,516	3,270	3,143,830
1925..	82,498	200,901	197,118	3,535	1,874,320	14,969	1,939	2,375,280
1926..	82,551	208,471	43,914	3,219	1,857,716	17,936	594	2,214,401
1927..	76,595	163,699	143,713	1,776	1,734,568	20,648	743	2,141,742
SILVER AND LEAD.								
1921..	1,327,364	862	54,188	240	67,521	89,817	..	1,539,992
1922..	2,574,108	1,080	109,350	377	87,692	241,694	..	3,014,301
1923..	2,956,862	963	216,645	60	60,061	218,881	..	3,453,472
1924..	4,310,360	645	167,469	373	96,504	252,718	..	4,828,069
1925..	5,320,976	291	240,684	1,655	114,961	302,961	617	5,982,145
1926..	4,399,953	307	147,724	865	85,604	281,155	447	4,916,055
COPPER.								
1921..	41,267	..	168,556	106,370	24,601	463,163	..	803,957
1922..	36,233	..	321,535	73,646	20,379	391,535	798	844,126
1923..	82,375	..	430,746	232,172	65,100	435,413	30	1,245,836
1924..	71,658	..	380,025	26,046	40,676	457,386	239	976,030
1925..	30,215	..	254,074	35,878	18,200	436,661	15	775,043
1926..	22,473	..	73,591	14,681	84	454,854	60	565,743

(*a*) Year ended 30th June.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced, 1921 to 1926—*continued.*

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. *a*	Total.
				TIN.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1921..	163,451	11,961	98,471	..	6,485	130,257	7,793	418,418
1922..	154,698	12,071	99,758	..	10,930	112,407	5,891	395,755
1923..	180,789	10,371	114,945	..	15,095	236,955	13,887	572,042
1924..	259,485	6,056	175,509	..	12,008	275,014	12,855	740,927
1925..	250,944	11,592	161,500	..	15,392	297,515	15,966	752,909
1926..	326,474	5,075	174,147	..	10,450	322,526	15,852	854,524
				COAL.				
1921..	9,078,388	634,397	831,483	..	407,117	63,446	..	11,014,831
1922..	8,507,946	695,430	840,472	..	381,555	61,016	..	10,486,419
1923..	8,607,892	563,289	925,227	..	368,949	70,797	..	10,536,154
1924..	9,589,547	610,671	985,542	..	363,255	66,555	..	11,615,570
1925..	9,302,515	762,521	1,037,956	..	363,203	70,424	..	11,536,619
1926..	9,436,520	846,697	1,098,927	..	394,400	90,401		11,866,945
				ALL MINERALS.				
1921..	12,052,509	1,218,783	1,495,899	904,659	3,463,764	822,767	19,003	19,977,384
1922..	12,951,164	1,244,966	1,859,084	331,866	3,041,112	878,009	9,959	20,316,160
1923..	14,176,688	1,031,223	2,215,498	890,378	2,747,101	1,154,397	16,612	22,231,897
1924..	16,299,835	964,917	2,305,669	953,592	2,776,796	1,325,967	19,138	24,645,914
1925..	16,657,585	1,000,706	2,012,456	1,028,396	2,393,890	1,477,872	21,715	24,592,620
1926..	16,319,265	1,082,006	1,608,661	1,032,353	2,371,864	1,573,997	19,085	24,007,231

(*a*) Year ended 30th June.

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA, 1921–22 to 1926-27.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing. *a*	Total.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1921–22 ..	81,890	70,048	44,417	10,519	19,977	112,517	339,368
1922–23 ..	84,183	90,535	43,542	11,124	20,316	123,188	372,888
1923–24 ..	81,166	102,843	42,112	11,866	22,232	132,732	392,951
1924–25 ..	107,096	121,891	45,190	12,357	24,646	137,977	449,157
1925–26 ..	89,267	113,327	47,161	12,784	24,592	143,256	430,387
1926–27 ..	98,295	..	..	..	24,007	..	..

(*a*) These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which are included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA, 1921–22 to 1925-26

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid. *a*	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value added by Manufacture.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1921–22	18,023	395,425	68,050,861	145,408,138	190,410,265	121,674,119	320,340,765
1922–23	19,173	412,410	71,133,152	160,463,218	186,082,663	131,754,858	326,497,136
1923–24	20,189	429,990	77,278,265	182,114,600	197,038,726	141,242,417	348,577,583
1924–25*b*	20,795	439,949	81,360,021	200,484,807	221,993,978	147,136,758	380,843,986
1925–26	21,242	450,920	86,724,683	208,813,782	231,834,908	155,424,259	400,342,393

(*a*) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.
(*b*) All States are for year ended 30th June, with the exception of Western Australia, where change was made in 1925–26.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES—1924-25 to 1926-27.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1924–25.(c)							
1. Factories ..No.	7,906	7,425	1,890	1,711	1,188	675	20,795
2. Hands employed(a) ,,	165.760	154,158	48,922	38,353	21,758	10,998	439,949
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	31,520.849	27,444,141	9,223,454	7,150,658	4,127,839	1,888,080	81,360.021
4. Value of fuel used .. ,,	5,883,494	2,964,635	782,384	1,154,902	392,753	535,082	11,713,250
5. ,, materials used ,,	94,681,328	66,290,693	30,726,434	19,409,892	6,993,731	3,891,900	221,993,978
6. ,, added in process of manufacture ,,	59,044,051	48,922,070	17,633,618	11,579,199	6,542,298	3,415,522	147,136,758
7. ,, of output of facts ,,	159,608,873	118,177,398	49,142,436	32,143,993	13,928,782	7,842,504	380,843,986
8. ,, land & buildings ,,	41,351,080	28,468,160	7,873,660	6,882,119	4,562,184	2,104.704	91,241,907
9. ,, plant & mchnry. ,,	43,553,900	32,563,815	14,002,476	7,529,854	4,864,253	6,728,602	109,242,900
1925–26.(d)							
1. Factories .. ..No.	8,196	7,461	1,897	1,791	1,170	727	21,242
2. Hands employed(a) .. ,,	174,101	152,959	50,496	40,051	22,142	11,171	450,920
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	33,566,546	27,657,753	9,544,115	7,787.912	6,288,036	1,880,321	86,724,683
4. Value of fuel used .. ,,	6,256,725	3,156,382	1,134,530	1,332,914	701,008	501,667	13,083,226
5. ,, materials used ,,	98,868,051	68,788.141	27,885,361	21,430,234	11,137,678	3,725.443	231,834,908
6. ,, added in process of manufacture ,,	64,838.370	48,041,916	16,880,777	12,673,999	9,611,113	3,378,084	155,424,259
7. ,, of output of facts ,,	169.963,146	119.986,439	45,900,668	35,437,147	21,449,799	7,605,194	400,342,393
8. ,, land & buildings ,,	43.954.312	29,847.370	8,155,604	7,520.625	4,855,161	2,202,560	96,535,632
9. ,, plant & mchnry. ,,	45,994,534	30,549,130	15,226,566	8,322,025	5,480,905	6,704,990	112,278,150
1926–27.							
1. Factories .. ..No.	8,226	7,690		1,807	1,216	767	
2. Hands employed(a) .. ,,	183,169	161,639		42,164	20,424	11,694	
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	37,082,942	31,822,589		8,390,603	3,922,923	1,981,517	
4. Value of fuel used .. ,,	6,469,168	3,392,448		1,343,002	549,796	487,234	
5. ,, materials used ,,	102,931,109	69,816,935		21,890,061	8,214,841	4,023,899	
6. ,, added in process of manufacture ,,	69,861,767	54,188,568		13,645,406	6,907,023	3,593,412	
7. ,, of output of facts ,,	179,262,044	127,397,951		36,878,469	15,671,660	8,104,545	
8. ,, land & buildings ,,	46,867,306	32,269,655		8,207,999	4,822,145	2,449,093	
9. ,, plant & mchnry. ,,	48,525,125	31,580,350		8,741.929	5,310,140	6,411,712	

(a) Includes working proprietors. (b) Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors.
(c) See note (b) previous table.
(d) Western Australia for 18 months ended 30th June, 1926.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED BY PROCESSES OF MANUFACTURE—AUSTRALIA, 1922–23 to 1925-26.

Industries.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.
	£	£	£	£
Treating raw materials, product of agricultural and pastoral, etc., pursuits ..	4,634,934	3,623,188	3,322,380	3,499,129
Treating oils and fats	1,552,439	1,611,537	1,795,164	2,003,918
Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc. ..	6,562,803	7,754,077	7,749,672	8,051,315
Working in wood	9,285,599	10,952,763	11,032,981	11,433,348
Metal works, machinery, etc. ..	24,216,263	29,040,790	30,504,947	33,612,075
Connected with food and drink, etc. ..	29,251,633	28,457,131	30,494,303	31,738,018
Clothing and textile fabrics, etc. ..	20,486,584	20,403,850	20,718,166	22,125,994
Books, paper, printing, and engraving ..	10,976,143	11,589,352	10,728,551	11,404,724
Musical instruments, etc.	463,491	452,444	510,306	535,482
Arms and explosives	147,431	278,961	292,259	302,974
Vehicles and fittings, saddlery, harness, etc.	4,854,417	6,218,904	7,102,020	6,907,512
Ship and boat building and repairing ..	1,525,571	1,631,282	1,656,160	1,720,659
Furniture, bedding, and upholstery ..	3,148,255	3,926,325	4,212,392	4,446,370
Drugs, chemicals, and by-products ..	3,384,807	3,648,180	4,181,364	4,624,317
Surgical and other scientific instruments	160,668	185,204	216,325	219,277
Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware ..	661,232	676,564	713,874	709,394
Heat, light, and power	8,192,541	8,970,407	9,917,116	9,441,020
Leatherware, n.e.i.	606,974	639,938	589,602	629,168
Minor wares, n.e.i.	1,643,073	1,181,520	1,399,176	2,019,565
	131.754.858	141,242,417	147,136,758	155,424,259

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1925-26.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust. *b*	Tas.	Total.
Wages(*a*)	19.75	23.05	20.79	21.98	29.32	24.72	21.66
Fuel and Light ..	3.68	2.63	2.47	3.76	3.27	6.60	3.27
Materials used ..	58.17	57.33	60.75	60.47	51.92	48.99	57.91
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses & charges	18.40	16.99	15.99	13.79	15.49	19.69	17.16
Total output ..	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on added value(*c*)	51.77	57.57	56.54	61.45	65.42	55.66	55.60

(*a*) Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors.

(*b*) Eighteen months ended 30th June, 1926.

(*c*) By "added value" is meant the amount by which the value of raw materials has been enhanced by those processes of manufacture to which the wages relate.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee(*a*) 1921-22 to 1925-26.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1921–22 ..	186.21	172.84	177.12	177.76	191.94	156.93	179.24
1922–23 ..	184.44	175.79	178.16	178.83	189.32	167.23	179.92
1923–24 ..	194.08	184.80	179.21	188.17	190.22	163.60	187.61
1924–25(*b*) ..	198.21	186.82	193.96	193.54	196.03	178.57	192.78
1925–26 ..	201.04	189.82	194.37	201.84	196.92	176.57	195.77

(*a*) Exclusive of working proprietors. (*b*) See note (*b*) first table of manufacturing (page 13).

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1925-26.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Males	132,239	104,512	42,525	33,117	18,634	9,055	340,082
Females	41,862	48,447	7,971	6,934	3,508	2,116	110,838
Masculinity(*a*) ..	51.9	36.7	68.4	65.4	68.3	62.1	50.8

(*a*) Excess of Males over Females per 100 of both sexes combined.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA, 1922-23 to 1927-28.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1922–23 ..	3,900,977	652,339	4,643,316	4,291,972	236,938	4,528,910
1923–24 ..	4,258,930	652,206	4,911,136	4,654,550	357,128	5,011,678
1924–25 ..	4,437,903	1,158,497	5,596,400	5,235,786	368,333	5,604,119
1925–26 ..	4,729,084	574,721	5,303,805	4,847,264	517,620	5,364,884
1926–27 ..	4,898,874	660,001	5,558,875	5,028,051	577,049	5,605,100
1926–27 (6 mos.)	2,396,129	244,599	2,640,728	2,337,504	325,682	2,663,186
1927–28 (6 mos.)	2,635,718	211,126	2,846,844	2,405,896	391,177	2,797,073

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and shipped, States, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton.

State or Territory.	Discharged.			Shipped.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1926–27.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,768,175	2,196,135	3,964,310	3,713,721	1,925,622	5,639,343
Victoria ..	2,127,243	1,940,057	4,067,300	712,577	1,158,925	1,871,502
Queensland ..	574,841	444,625	1,019,466	359,935	181,890	541,825
South Australia	1,518,898	778,727	2,297,625	1,203,865	1,021,218	2,225,083
Western Aust. ..	248,227	545,426	793,653	144,936	855,869	1,000,805
Tasmania ..	425,835	47,954	473,789	659,747	99,469	759,216
Northern Terr...	26,027	2,288	28,315	1,375	3,148	4,523
Total ..	6,689,246	5,955,212	12,644,458	6,796,156	5,246,141	12,042,297
1925–26.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,613,036	2,084,052	3,697,088	3,038,259	1,993,228	5,031,487
Victoria ..	1,845,681	1,717,939	3,563,620	610,283	757,036	1,367,319
Queensland ..	531,379	409,781	941,160	336,634	425,582	762,216
South Australia	1,159,916	665,694	1,825,610	1,069,990	1,120,903	2,190,893
Western Aust. ..	258,602	416,198	674,800	135,442	720,061	855,503
Tasmania ..	392,629	44,287	436,916	543,652	148,974	692,626
Northern Terr...	8,138	4,670	12,808	1,713	3,623	5,336
Total ..	5,809,381	5,342,621	11,152,002	5,735,973	5,169,407	10,905,380
Total 1924–25..	6,445,319	4,696,112	11,141,431	6,413,975	6,498,098	12,912,073
„ 1923–24..	6,373,839	4,377,171	10,751,010	6,358,191	4,981,521	11,339,712
„ 1922–23..	5,031,827	3,718,795	8,750,622	5,137,651	4,064,196	9,201,847

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st MARCH, 1928.

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—	
Butter (Refrigerator)	4s. per box.
Butter substitutes	63s. per ton measurement.
Cheese (Refrigerator)	½d. per lb.
Meats, Potted or Concentrated	63s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	
Beef	¾d. per lb.
Lamb	1½d. per lb.
Mutton	1d. per lb.
Rabbits and Hares	80s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins	½d. per lb.
Other	½d. per lb.
Milk and Cream	½d. per lb.
All other Animal Foodstuffs	½d. per lb.
FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—	
Biscuits	63s. per ton measurement.
Jams	63s. per ton measurement.
Jellies	63s. per ton measurement.
Dried Fruits—Currants and Raisins	50s. per ton measurement.
Other	63s. per ton measurement.
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator)	3s. 6d. per case.
Oranges (bushel cases)	3s. 6d. per case.
Wheat, Unprepared	30s. 0d. per ton weight.
Flour, Wheaten	32s. 0d. per ton weight.
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	63s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (NON-ALCOHOLIC) AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING	63s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (ALCOHOLIC)	63s. per ton measurement.
TOBACCO, AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF	63s. per ton measurement

Oversea Shipping Freight Rates between Australia and the United Kingdom and Continent at 31st MARCH, 1928—*continued.*

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—	
Skins, Hides	1½d. per lb.
Rabbit and Hare	1½d. per lb.
Sheep	¾d. per lb.
Other	1½d. per lb.
Pearlshell	63s. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy	1⅛d. per lb. + 5 % less 10 %.
Scoured and Washed	1⅜d. per lb. + 5 % less 10%.
Tops	1⅜d. per lb. net.
All other Animal Substances	1⅜d. per lb. + 5% less 10%.
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—	
Bark, Tanning (Chopped)	63s. per ton weight.
(Ground)	47s. 3d. per ton weight.
Copra	61s. 3d. per ton weight.
Sandalwood	63s. per ton measurement.
Fibre	78s. 9d. per ton weight.
APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRE—	
Boots and Shoes	63s. per ton measurement.
All other Apparel	63s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine	110s. per ton weight.
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—	
Oil, Coconut	70s. 9d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined	70s. 9d. per ton weight.
Beeswax	63s. per ton measurement.
Dripping	cases 63s. per ton measurement.
	casks 70s. 9d. per ton weight.
PAINT AND VARNISHES	63s. per ton measurement.
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—	
Wolfram	32s. 6d. per ton weight.
Zinc, Ashes	40s. 6d. per ton weight.
Dross or Dust	cases 126s. per ton weight.
Sheets	cases 55s. per ton weight.
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—	
Rubber Manufactures	63s. per ton measurement.
Leather	137s. 9d. per ton weight.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—	
Timber, Sawn (under 2 tons weight per piece)	11s. per 100 super. feet.
Squared or Round (under 2 tons weight per piece)	11s. per 100 super. feet.
PAPER AND STATIONERY	63s. per ton measurement.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—	
Oil, Eucalyptus	63s. per ton measurement.
MISCELLANEOUS—	
Soap	63s. per ton measurement.
SPECIE	15s. per cent.

INTERSTATE AND NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES, 31st MARCH, 1928.

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement: 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To—	From— Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane	..	22 0	33 0
Sydney	22 0	..	17 0
Melbourne	33 0	17 0	..
Adelaide	40 6	27 6	22 0
Fremantle	..	43 0	38 0
Perth	..	43 0*a*	38 0*a*
Hobart	..	22 0	22 0
Launceston	43 6	22 6	19 6
Devonport	43 0	22 0	19 6
Burnie			
Auckland	..	35 0	35 0 / 60 0*d*
Wellington	..	35 0*b*	35 0*b* / 60 0*e*
Lyttelton	..	35 0*c*	35 0
Dunedin	..	35 0*c*	35 0
New Caledonia	..	45 0	45 0
New Hebrides, Papua, Solomon Islands (British), and Territory of New Guinea (Rabaul)	60 0	60 0	84 6
Norfolk Island	50 0	50 0	74 6

(*a*) Plus lighterage, 8s. 6d. per ton measurement, or 9s. 6d. per ton weight.
(*b*) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement charges, 1s. 0d.
(*c*) Transhipped at Wellington, plus 50 per cent., plus 1s. 0d., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.
(*d*) Transhipped at Sydney.
(*e*) Transhipped at Sydney, plus 1s. 0d., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

COMMERCE.—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

States and Territories.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	55,010,083	58,225,180	66,321,757	64,009,929	68,933,904
Victoria	46,729,100	49,592,643	54,289,690	50,327,055	55,560,936
Queensland	10,782,906	11,605,668	12,833,375	13,772,854	13,497,758
South Australia	10,846,619	12,700,321	13,970,327	14,079,788	15,507,260
Western Australia	6,788,165	6,662,729	8,026,452	7,896,174	9,447,033
Tasmania	1,588,158	1,817,320	1,681,059	1,518,210	1,732,889
Northern Territory	12,804	14,432	20,636	34,168	36,814
Total	131,757,835	140,618,293	157,143,296	151,638,178	164,716,594

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS, 1922-23 to 1926-27. (a)

States and Territories.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	42,581,874	43,146,722	60,577,094	54,001,814	62,815,077
Victoria	33,768,701	29,612,548	41,641,979	33,107,576	34,741,689
Queensland	15,782,072	14,628,305	24,441,600	26,384,916	14,721,201
South Australia	13,583,003	16,912,932	19,225,027	19,450,144	17,123,012
Western Australia	9,679,496	12,412,625	12,859,498	12,611,631	13,0 7,922
Tasmania	2,460,374	2,766,032	3,243,017	2,970,226	2,396,496
Northern Territory	14,627	8,000	41,944	35,902	29,786
Total	117,870,147	119,487,164	162,030,159	148,562,209	144,895,183

(a) Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Year.	Value.					Value per Head.											
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports. (a)			Total Trade.			Imports.			Exports.					
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.							Aust. Produce.			Other Produce.			Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1922–23	249,627,982	131,757,835	114,751,309	3,118,838	117,870,147	44	6	0	23	7	8	20	7	4	0	11	0	20	18	4
1923–24	260,105,457	140,618,293	116,162,545	3,324,619	119,487,164	45	4	9	24	9	1	20	4	1	0	11	7	20	15	8
1924–25	319,173,455	157,143,296	158,942,417	3,087,742	162,030,159	54	6	10	26	15	1	27	1	3	0	10	6	27	11	9
1925–26	300,200,387	151,638,178	145,495,074	3,067,135	148,562,209	50	2	0	25	6	2	24	5	7	0	10	3	24	15	10
1926–27	309,611,777	164,716,594	141,905,874	2,989,309	144,895,183	50	13	4	26	19	1	23	4	6	0	9	9	23	14	3

(a) Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian Ports on board oversea ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1922–23, £2,887,399; in 1923–24, £2,614,948; in 1924–25, £2,714,562; in 1925–26, £2,773,422; and in 1926–27, £2,781,312.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922–23	131,727,011	30,824	131,757,835	114,569,208	3,300,939	117,870,147	-17,157,803	3,270,115	-13,887,688
1923–24	140,556,501	61,792	140,618,293	115,674,668	3,812,496	119,487,164	-24,881,833	3,750,704	-21,131,129
1924–25	146,600,489	10,542,807	157,143,296	159,987,124	2,043,035	162,030,159	13,386,635	-8,499,772	4,886,863
1925–26	151,217,425	420,753	151,638,178	143,072,790	5,489,419	148,562,209	-8,144,635	5,068,666	- 3,075,969
1926–27	164,127,759	588,835	164,716,594	132,591,877	12,303,306	144,895,183	-31,535,882	11,714,471	-19,821,411

NOTE.—The minus sign (−) denotes an excess of imports.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise, under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions, and Total Net Revenue collected during the March Quarter of 1927 and 1928, during the first nine months of 1926-27 and 1927-28, and during the financial years 1925-26 and 1926-27.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs. (Subject to Revision.)

Division.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.		Financial Year.	
	1927.	1928.*a*	1926–27.	1927–28.*a*	1925–26.	1926–27.
CUSTOMS.	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages	649,548	598,052	2,163,820	2,120,081	2,947,630	2,910,173
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof	610,583	655,466	1,901,553	2,083,356	2,432,660	2,558,324
3. Sugar	4,037	3,161	15,064	14,001	20,179	20,157
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	377,190	342,441	1,202,362	1,110,390	1,326,023	1,579,109
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire	1,794,296	1,668,454	5,145,373	4,846,076	5,257,659	6,325,520
6. Metals and Machinery	1,558,243	1,329,776	4,627,887	4,461,515	5,368,073	6,119,687
7. Oils, Paints, and Varnishes	657,667	661,239	1,655,825	1,927,965	972,108	2,199,166
8. Earthenware, &c.	195,240	161,781	586,955	578,863	699,150	749,294
9. Drugs and Chemicals	131,804	128,480	446,233	412,764	534,389	569,128
10. Wood, Wicker, and Cane	444,957	430,415	1,088,842	1,297,000	1,373,948	1,415,851
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	172,550	150,841	782,029	684,017	884,375	973,858
12. Leather and Rubber	413,899	292,705	1,210,184	951,489	1,789,838	1,628,102
13. Paper and Stationery	188,633	180,270	585,574	628,533	696,109	763,109
14. Vehicles	915,999	659,938	2,570,733	1,976,239	3,086,445	3,399,536
15. Musical Instruments	133,276	83,174	394,085	296,208	470,180	523,254
16. Miscellaneous	282,465	235,449	966,367	855,655	1,027,753	1,228,354
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	14,847	14,459	58,362	48,501	63,254	75,012
Total Customs	8,545,234	7,596,101	25,401,248	24,292,653	28,949,773	33,037,634
EXCISE.						
Beer	1,607,544	1,650,939	4,861,005	4,900,089	5,868,674	6,130,835
Spirits	470,909	407,652	1,350,713	1,418,351	2,029,007	2,070,950
Starch	2,835	3,372	9,648	7,344	15,539	9,646
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	839,477	814,869	2,628,852	2,686,476	3,456,767	3,530,898
Licences, &c.	1,554	2,154	11,400	12,135	12,247	11,674
Total Excise	2,922,319	2,878,986	8,861,618	9,024,395	11,382,234	11,754,003
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	11,467,553	10,475,087	34,262,866	33,317,048	40,332,007	44,791,637
Drawbacks and Repayments	237,936	341,031	918,050	935,950	1,134,727	1,244,992
TOTAL NET REVENUE	11,229,617	10,134,056	33,344,816	32,381,098	39,197,280	43,546,645

(*a*) Excludes Northern Territory revenue for February and March.

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA of the undermentioned classes of goods—the produce or manufacture of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Germany, Japan, Netherlands East Indies, the United States of America, and all countries, during the six months ending 31st December, 1927.

Classes of Goods.	Great Britain and Northern Ireland.	Canada.	Germany.	Japan.	Netherlands East Indies.	U.S. America.	Total all Countries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin	265,251	214,216	1,502	35,477	11,508	180,719	1,554,600
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin and non-alcoholic beverages	327,232	4,394	2,822	9,560	955,683	196,133	3,457,548
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	759,251	517	4,866	10	1	47	910,726
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof	262,878	..	427	7	70,133	800,537	1,230,276
5. Live animals	29,842	61	11	41	..	1,701	73,749
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs	184,410	3,429	9,821	114,003	8,670	38,278	1,029,440
7. Vegetable substances and fibres	61,460	2,381	7,146	21,700	245,020	96,206	1,628,576
8. Apparel, textiles and manufactured fibres ..	11,849,963	147,076	729,319	2,163,849	1,283	1,424,617	22,200,808
9. Oils, fats, and waxes ..	122,777	33	4,524	27,342	1,435,183	2,785,326	4,939,285
10. Paints and varnishes ..	262,927	5,537	23,277	1	27	136,012	421,506
11. Stones and minerals, including ores, &c. ..	114,631	12,292	8,148	55	285	125,836	552,542
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery ..	13,091,915	551,725	676,375	12,034	1,379	8,046,116	23,392,297
13. Rubber and leather, and manufactures thereof	404,345	95,812	51,660	1,839	124,330	642,879	2,473,082
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured ..	153,071	165,733	27,153	141,507	22,184	2,032,249	3,417,843
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, &c.	813,995	2,326	100,573	76,709	373	91,786	1,384,475
16. Paper and stationery ..	2,521,509	516,804	123,014	10,188	150	378,719	4,268,605
17. Jewellery, timepieces, and fancy goods	525,628	3,360	281,635	64,378	40	138,617	1,674,413
18. Optical, surgical, and scientific instruments	370,798	2,114	71,122	694	2	359,356	856,345
19. Drugs, chemicals, and fertilizers	1,013,487	11,925	135,250	27,164	1,627	471,555	2,476,856
20. Miscellaneous	1,199,169	52,036	318,258	41,244	21,535	678,330	2,731,938
21. Gold and silver; and bronze specie ..	15,077	174	..	..	..	229	322,006
Total	34,349,616	1,791,945	2,576,903	2,747,802	2,899,413	18,625,248	80,996,916

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.
				Greasy.	Scoured (a)		
	QUANTITY.						
	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1922–23	789,754	7,890,014	18,906,163	5,982,905	1,127,746	1,676,126	1,529,507
1923–24	654,409	10,223,828	35,946,288	4,839,455	473,552	398,053	1,051,639
1924–25	1,452,813	8,960,939	62,122,853	4,922,671	436,244	502,715	2,836,191
1925–26	978,998	10,020,633	32,536,637	7,689,298	560,360	856,820	2,140,898
1926–27	765,165	9,869,282	44,355,189	7,123,425	577,286	935,202	1,121,931
	VALUE.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922–23	6,082,414	4,521,976	8,469,574	45,810,943	11,324,939	4,321,917	1,794,735
1923–24	4,874,921	5,317,797	13,979,342	48,673,982	7,522,274	1,170,850	1,301,879
1924–25	10,006,081	6,186,275	34,613,713	55,580,545	7,678,010	1,522,082	4,140,020
1925–26	7,006,830	6,839,361	17,187,388	56,495,373	6,708,042	2,430,465	3,264,911
1926–27	5,447,224	6,254,316	20,785,414	53,410,657	6,642,701	2,057,607	1,627,807

(a) Includes Tops.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED AND EXPORTED DURING THE MARCH QUARTER, 1927 AND 1928, AND DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1926–27 AND 1927–28.

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IMPORTS.

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926–27.	1927–28.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£	£	£	£
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	535,721	435,294	1,186,823	1,017,294
Fresh, Smoked, Potted and Concentrated, &c.	106,279	98,565	299,153	325,239
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	17,287	18,705	42,509	44,600
Sausage-casings	91,137	74,241	227,939	219,195
Other	34,697	50,499	128,014	163,022
Milk and Cream	10,156	7,109	25,178	35,999
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	138,501	79,771	265,629	513,435
Total, Class I.	933,778	764,184	2,175,245	2,318,784
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel Butter and Cocoa Butter ..	53,814	58,294	161,052	193,194
Cocoa and Chocolate	68,053	100,399	198,022	229,055
Coffee and Chicory	30,237	28,761	98,151	108,138
Confectionery—				
Chocolate	5,114	5,404	22,721	28,251
Other	16,786	14,973	66,177	70,976
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates ..	14,133	31,328	161,242	167,097
Fresh—				
Bananas	7,217	9,467	23,214	24,254
Other	14,444	26,230	17,490	29,977
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i., preserved in Liquid	51,458	52,334	196,744	191,610
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	106,551	66,346	308,889	202,237
Prepared—				
Rice	29,255	31,122	103,844	61,551
Other	4,241	5,414	14,365	19,804
Hops	2,385	3,785	11,881	8,812
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	25,015	31,703	85,946	84,153
Mustard	9,668	23,622	56,905	50,054
Nuts—Edible	86,471	89,485	311,448	299,123
Pickles and Sauces	26,662	24,872	73,016	65,910
Sago and Tapioca	8,623	12,003	43,653	41,754
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape ..	8,604	8,548	27,552	29,925
Spices	61,951	54,356	164,168	171,771
Sugar (Cane)	377	37	47,441	114
Tea	973,147	819,557	2,982,726	2,674,448
Vinegar	10,478	9,340	25,844	19,898
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	62,230	67,083	412,769	259,905
Total, Class II.	1,676,914	1,574,463	5,615,260	5,032,011

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£	£	£	£
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	52,845	47,552	166,048	147,205
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	37,134	35,970	94,234	79,281
Gin	46,889	77,147	123,135	163,076
Rum	7,375	3,757	22,143	18,354
Whisky	238,269	246,688	818,199	858,139
Other, including Liqueurs	10,692	8,748	35,040	28,766
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling	15,363	12,718	48,766	33,053
Other	9,604	9,625	29,519	25,057
Total, Class III.	418,171	442,205	1,337,084	1,352,931
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	49,539	238,785	141,744	357,164
Unmanufactured	476,505	507,344	1,557,774	1,280,598
Cigars	19,503	26,122	92,051	114,485
Cigarettes	92,723	122,658	302,752	372,331
Snuff	203	87	1,211	694
Total, Class IV.	638,473	894,996	2,095,532	2,125,272
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	51,025	30,715	119,132	104,464
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED) NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds	9,507	9,479	27,915	22,108
Hair and Fibre	16,611	16,800	58,872	61,238
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle, Horse	122,732	104,225	337,247	326,809
Sheep	50,959	27,241	72,590	42,286
Other	35,913	58,559	152,905	209,089
Silk, Raw	59,875	54,298	175,259	173,128
Wool	133,122	301,097	401,517	691,898
Other Animal Substances	29,368	29,738	105,071	104,321
Total, Class VI.	458,087	601,437	1,331,376	1,630,877
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Copra	209,641	159,774	669,865	512,985
Corks and Cork Manufactures	37,383	26,609	96,398	94,494
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw	27,132	8,400	72,799	42,672
Flax and Hemp, including Phormium Tenax	92,956	106,797	277,173	271,184
Kapok	126,378	100,678	339,601	296,619
Other	69,413	56,962	212,396	174,796
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture, Mats, &c.	22,989	4,194	71,364	20,718
Gums and Resins	84,496	88,953	267,923	254,498
Pulp for Papermaking	64,641	88,087	145,526	290,338
Seeds—Linseed	83,944	86,513	215,691	284,300
Tanning Substances—				
Bark	2,787	254	25,825	2,732
Other	18,647	26,713	65,093	56,784
Other Vegetable Substances	72,594	67,058	184,958	147,448
Total, Class VII.	913,001	820,992	2,644,612	2,449,568

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926–27.	1927–28.
CLASS VIII.—(*a*) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (*b*) TEXTILES; AND (*c*) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.	£	£	£	£
(*a*) *Apparel and Attire.*				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. (other than knitted)	155,769	147,018	335,800	350,915
Boots and Shoes	149,176	124,844	423,839	401,804
Furs and other Skins wholly or partly made up and dressed or prepared	174,868	226,214	439,074	625,529
Gloves	163,530	140,169	471,021	398,695
Hats and Caps	249,064	273,039	664,306	780,878
Knitted Articles of Apparel—				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, Underwear, &c.	90,298	73,557	187,039	141,612
Socks and Stockings	419,342	253,426	1,366,990	1,123,577
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments ..	106,055	98,452	153,133	140,905
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c.	16,775	9,315	54,056	39,563
Trimmings and Ornaments ..	329,924	211,750	972,282	712,274
Other Apparel and Attire ..	208,363	201,220	650,682	622,485
(*b*) *Textiles.*				
Carpets, Linoleums, and other Floor Coverings	752,315	715,221	2,232,233	2,171,697
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	31,225	37,252	330,241	327,134
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	180,919	156,275	671,517	569,521
Cotton and Linen	2,321,827	1,941,744	8,193,314	7,220,126
Hessians and other Jute Piece Goods	184,983	183,995	573,444	538,923
Lace for Attire, &c.	92,650	66,011	357,835	306,935
Silk or containing Silk ..	1,526,240	1,286,709	5,578,873	4,864,762
Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c.	251,972	210,900	462,498	362,877
Woollens	981,124	1,004,941	2,029,821	2,173,657
Other	450,413	497,922	854,718	1,037,992
Quilts, Tablecovers, Sheets, &c. ..	107,632	106,603	293,363	299,451
Sewing and Other Cottons, Threads, &c.	236,447	240,402	702,559	711,279
Towels and Towelling	155,058	129,403	488,530	428,628
Other Textiles	190,495	224,507	593,316	609,875
(*c*) *Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.*				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff, and Compressed Fodder	132,363	149,531	242,751	300,598
Corn and Flour	263,028	218,786	3,052,631	2,233,751
Woolpacks	7,153	12,385	578,001	548,933
Other	18,279	32,839	42,476	64,873
Cordage and Twines (excluding Metal Cordage)	41,848	40,665	198,205	217,345
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk	103,117	101,521	319,033	429,582
Cotton	206,212	152,410	668,438	506,637
Wool	166,035	96,306	447,390	251,531
Other	36,894	23,050	106,666	74,846
Total, Class VIII.	10,501,393	9,388,382	34,736,075	31,589,190

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.	£	£	£	£
Fats and Waxes, &c.	62,531	59,626	201,512	198,690
Oils—				
Kerosene	270,226	224,702	878,584	688,486
Linseed	20,486	29,044	60,769	70,009
Lubricating (Mineral)	306,586	175,159	848,470	698,711
Petroleum Spirit	1,901,030	1,715,749	4,998,365	4,785,687
Turpentine	15,041	28,901	130,775	126,393
Other	336,118	381,219	1,007,856	985,709
Total, Class IX.	2,912,018	2,614,400	8,126,331	7,553,685
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	210,817	173,754	540,080	547,757
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c. ..	29,790	19,023	72,665	66,526
Total, Class X.	240,607	192,777	612,745	614,283
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS (INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES).				
Asphalt, Bitumen, and Natural Pitch	148,310	170,688	338,485	427,854
Stone (including Marble and Slate)—				
Abrasives	44,323	39,644	125,332	123,191
Other Stone	27,007	25,370	80,807	74,040
Other Minerals, &c. (including Ores and Concentrates)	64,574	92,893	168,853	256,052
Total, Class XI.	284,214	328,595	713,477	881,137
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(*a*) *Machines and Machinery.*				
Electrical Machinery and Appliances—				
Batteries and Accumulators ..	234,551	145,253	619,828	566,218
Cable and Wire, covered ..	443,521	388,452	1,345,605	1,303,617
Dynamo Electric Machines ..	246,164	216,560	804,853	734,572
Lamps, Filament, for lighting and heating	159,080	153,311	440,920	419,741
Telegraph Instruments, &c.; Telephones and Telephone Switchboards, &c.	168,801	182,801	565,722	644,358
Other	584,673	462,004	1,849,219	1,717,741
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, &c.) ..	191,760	103,980	620,078	610,725
Metal-working Machinery ..	139,820	146,837	457,791	400,758
Motive-power Machinery (except electric)	601,314	633,545	1,865,013	1,997,343
Printing Machinery	166,709	122,110	396,121	351,825
Sewing Machines	165,225	146,037	473,457	425,067
Yarn-making and Textile-making Machinery	128,147	113,158	384,910	384,066
Other Machines and Machinery ..	972,377	857,130	2,789,790	2,749,820

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—*continued.*				
(*b*) *Metals and Metal Manufactures, other than Machinery.*				
Alloys	96,145	72,028	297,976	226,378
Bolts and Nuts, Rivets and Washers	84,927	71,247	243,165	208,179
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	367,928	240,744	796,940	936,949
Beams, Channels, Girders, Joists, &c.	73,797	76,280	151,181	393,181
Pig and Scrap	12,978	23,765	48,600	61,548
Pipes and Tubes	428,322	421,985	1,183,723	1,165,374
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized—Corrugated ..	462,130	254,315	1,244,913	1,451,942
Galvanized—Flat	163,708	86,425	375,298	473,629
Plain	240,853	205,389	515,160	964,619
Tinned	483,471	252,264	1,003,711	951,271
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. ..	30,639	99,729	52,483	220,114
Wire	127,590	104,324	473,799	347,640
Lamps and Lampware	173,889	110,116	449,360	319,612
Plated Ware and Cutlery ..	304,508	164,996	839,137	664,481
Tools of Trade (not being machines)	329,363	271,822	987,722	844,028
Vehicles—				
Motor Cars—				
Bodies and parts ..	428,541	299,938	1,019,583	840,680
Chassis and parts ..	3,903,475	1,779,056	9,476,599	5,665,417
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. ..	221,620	133,588	542,822	408,495
Other, and parts	683,715	522,965	2,046,824	1,519,473
Other Metals and Metal Manufactures	1,205,503	1,041,345	3,564,144	3,326,935
Total, Class XII.	14,025,244	9,903,499	37,926,447	33,295,796
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
(*a*) *Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.*				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c.	476,528	453,912	1,905,296	1,678,803
Rubber Manufactures—				
Boot and Apparel Elastic ; Rubber Thread	61,442	76,774	197,648	247,099
Tyres—Pneumatic, and Other..	517,295	271,013	1,507,140	905,647
Other	97,994	83,469	301,666	283,547
(*b*) *Leather and Manufactures of Leather.*				
Leather	68,624	56,074	235,218	210,699
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	50,038	40,427	155,752	128,956
Total, Class XIII. ..	1,271,921	981,669	4,302,720	3,454,751

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber—				
Dressed	461,597	421,936	944,954	1,071,105
Undressed	883,857	862,230	2,753,574	3,225,380
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	175,209	185,515	525,884	591,039
Total, Class XIV.	1,520,663	1,469,681	4,224,412	4,887,524
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Cement (Portland)	17,231	19,582	49,894	54,091
Crockery and other Household Ware	210,146	149,033	589,637	613,083
Glass and Glassware	340,646	303,977	1,032,702	988,821
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stoneware	144,984	97,565	351,922	298,637
Total, Class XV.	713,007	570,157	2,023,155	1,954,632
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(*a*) *Paper.*				
Millboards and other Boards	69,986	73,141	192,317	225,706
Printing	800,222	720,681	2,515,655	2,341,580
Wrapping	124,385	101,212	288,146	323,289
Writing and Typewriting	189,254	147,269	505,786	486,348
Other	185,017	164,232	466,644	469,979
(*b*) *Stationery and Paper Manufactures.*				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	271,495	297,738	1,044,206	1,071,416
Paperhangings and Wallpapers	46,158	41,313	87,522	78,575
Pens and Pencils	49,299	47,424	202,362	206,961
Other Stationery, &c.	239,898	265,620	827,397	923,381
Total, Class XVI.	1,975,714	1,858,630	6,130,035	6,127,235
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Fancy Goods—				
Toys	23,158	22,765	302,161	274,872
Other	172,372	150,696	813,842	745,074
Jewellery—				
Precious Stones (unset)—Pearls, Cameos, &c.	135,734	179,985	461,017	483,236
Other	36,298	30,554	128,255	124,861
Timepieces—Watches, Clocks, &c.	146,812	117,951	552,869	548,321
Total, Class XVII.	514,374	501,951	2,258,144	2,176,364

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.	£	£	£	£
Films for Kinematographs, &c.	74,170	62,860	204,079	202,106
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	87,815	107,256	266,106	306,918
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	141,987	54,233	553,516	289,712
Other Optical and Scientific Instruments	136,924	101,423	391,254	383,381
Total, Class XVIII. ..	440,896	325,772	1,414,955	1,182,117
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acid—Tartaric	15,059	22,223	56,593	56,732
Calcium Carbide	7,116	5,040	24,588	17,863
Cream of Tartar	48,048	66,234	159,260	175,168
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	11,127	12,846	31,567	32,822
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines ..	61,929	77,150	214,161	232,290
Other	81,462	69,251	226,609	186,002
Dyes	44,288	30,205	164,310	119,922
Fertilizers	358,845	206,410	956,852	804,571
Insecticides, Disinfectants, Washes and Dips	16,146	10,597	68,220	54,551
Oils—Essential (non-spirituous) ..	40,541	42,215	116,380	122,394
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	88,969	85,549	323,215	310,562
Salt	19,093	15,753	59,901	56,914
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash)	58,095	44,812	138,823	139,180
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) ..	29,508	39,120	97,386	100,575
Other	38,079	38,635	115,637	108,147
Spirits and Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups, &c. ..	20,084	23,153	73,315	76,584
Other	39,446	47,668	165,772	159,427
Sulphur (Brimstone)	128,381	126,538	225,727	343,369
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	179,924	190,805	542,116	533,987
Total, Class XIX. ..	1,286,140	1,154,204	3,760,432	3,631,060
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	278,601	314,678	883,453	795,791
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, &c.	67,763	60,843	357,542	330,076
Brushware—				
Vacuum Cleaners (household) ..	73,192	44,784	188,022	157,516
Other	54,756	45,414	247,007	201,474
Matches and Vestas	65,553	45,648	169,995	134,511
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos	47,182	27,843	160,699	102,541
Player Pianos	240,296	99,625	656,122	473,660
Piano and Player Piano Parts ..	39,332	17,075	110,311	61,381
Other Musical Instruments and Parts	53,462	48,039	167,917	147,672
Packings for Engines, Boilers, &c...	23,951	25,670	80,459	77,768
Soap	23,560	19,524	88,877	79,413
Vessels (Ships), including Fittings ..	76,310	51,275	295,649	343,483
All other Articles	246,197	283,177	848,928	910,247
Total, Class XX.	1,290,155	1,083,595	4,254,981	3,815,533

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in matte ..	169,537	103,157	406,388	397,501
Silver, including Silver in matte ..	6,669	4,292	18,645	31,835
Bronze Specie	70	27	70	146
Total, Class XXI.	176,276	107,476	425,103	429,482
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	17,398,029	15,623,116	52,654,827	50,892,499
Victoria	14,424,223	11,395,624	42,756,623	37,848,014
Queensland	3,538,111	2,857,484	10,586,434	9,347,464
South Australia	4,086,312	3,016,412	11,972,630	10,292,151
Western Australia	2,301,600	2,280,467	6,878,967	6,918,468
Tasmania	486,844	430,344	1,358,390	1,284,004
Northern Territory	6,952	6,333	19,382	24,096
GRAND TOTAL	42,242,071	35,609,780	126,227,253	116,606,696
TOTAL IMPORTS—				
Merchandise	42,076,370	35,502,326	125,855,878	116,215,203
Bullion and Specie	165,701	107,454	371,375	391,493

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—*continued.*

EXPORTS.

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£	£	£	£
Butter	2,283,999	2,866,630	4,846,310	5,333,420
Butter Substitutes	193	216	458	399
Cheese	61,829	116,388	95,209	196,821
Eggs	388	305	233,168	85,406
Meats—				
Potted or Concentrated	15,029	15,239	66,155	40,717
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	223,694	250,314	1,190,379	1,429,013
Lamb	285,744	236,074	1,455,760	873,363
Mutton	102,668	49,703	433,717	200,721
Rabbits and Hares	47,770	36,236	275,656	268,671
Preserved in Tins	51,093	28,573	291,860	115,904
Sausage-casings	127,986	89,054	414,406	361,899
Other	41,464	52,008	224,529	226,849
Milk and Cream	387,766	487,233	1,026,171	1,071,779
Other Animal Foodstuffs	7,126	8,271	18,818	22,488
Total, Class I.	3,636,749	4,236,244	10,572,596	10,227,450
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa and Chocolate, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c.	20,459	18,378	54,761	48,058
Biscuits	49,583	39,763	118,752	113,872
Confectionery	25,602	43,001	85,588	125,725
Fodders	9,517	8,134	51,004	28,253
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants	94,687	9,200	220,784	94,990
Raisins	167,560	69,399	394,037	1,013,395
Other	429	545	4,776	2,264
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	192,451	564,103	201,876	573,399
Citrus	2,931	2,409	73,117	43,747
Other	35,121	52,397	49,415	75,171
Fruits, preserved, in liquid	21,912	53,708	201,934	125,565
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped	34,102	33,978	61,773	36,438
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley	116,304	137,284	248,806	271,134
Wheat	10,179,702	5,170,725	12,224,138	9,082,190
Other	64,062	75,881	82,599	91,870
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard, and Sharps	34,759	28,119	69,901	117,681
Flour (Wheaten)	1,935,873	1,288,435	4,488,522	3,836,942
Rice	19,308	19,930	64,821	57,076
Other	2,641	2,892	8,468	7,767
Jams and Fruit Jellies	18,267	16,118	54,638	51,337
Sugar (Cane)	259,390	755,263	1,717,312	3,866,323
Tea	19,063	30,477	89,280	113,843
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	45,876	69,456	98,578	142,786
Total, Class II.	13,349,599	8,489,595	20,664,880	19,919,826

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, and Perry	10,493	10,992	33,209	32,103
Spirits (Beverages)	7,906	7,188	26,013	23,450
Wine	228,024	215,944	561,314	994,048
Total, Class III.	246,423	234,124	620,536	1,049,601
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..	6,096	8,188	18,839	26,487
Tobacco	48,642	72,221	143,435	176,002
Total, Class IV.	54,738	80,409	162,274	202,489
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	10,976	11,560	40,007	32,836
Horses	26,123	20,206	135,035	143,444
Sheep	11,568	12,528	41,453	38,785
Other Living Animals	2,942	2,533	8,461	11,025
Total, Class V.	51,609	46,827	224,956	226,090
CLASS VI. — ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED) NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle, and Horse ..	265,611	424,026	794,190	1,369,732
Fox	2,511	5,548	90,225	121,009
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	24,421	36,866	167,890	213,704
Opossum	5,009	35,505	903,183	535,143
Rabbit and Hare	223,654	130,555	1,862,625	1,875,689
Sheep	616,928	835,782	2,705,153	3,518,929
Other	7,424	30,251	20,697	238,146
Pearlshell	81,857	76,480	274,169	288,257
Trochus-shell	28,457	19,559	65,303	70,482
Wool—				
Greasy	18,245,550	22,429,207	45,816,012	53,427,257
Scoured and Washed	1,425,295	1,780,620	4,350,846	5,073,631
Tops	212,701	85,216	621,648	390,625
Other Animal Substances ..	26,583	33,093	116,549	119,397
Total, Class VI.	21,166,001	25,922,688	57,788,490	67,242,001
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Bark, Tanning	51	14,750	2,708	19,950
Copra	165,547	91,779	459,158	364,265
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw	12	..	1,208	3,742
Other	15,172	19,375	43,656	58,091
Sandalwood	15,246	82,286	203,597	172,647
Other Vegetable Substances ..	19,857	38,631	49,314	92,017
Total, Class VII.	215,885	246,821	759,641	710,712

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926–27.	1927–28.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS VIII.—(*a*) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (*b*) TEXTILES; (*c*) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Boots and Shoes	3,270	5,245	12,800	15,848
Other Apparel and Attire ..	35,753	42,675	103,943	119,863
Piece Goods	39,660	48,342	146,311	143,300
Other Textiles	21,592	9,029	61,763	30,335
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage, and Yarns ..	25,225	36,218	74,859	89,813
Total, Class VIII. ..	125,500	141,510	399,676	399,159
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.	11,696	13,665	47,761	46,721
Oils	19,377	22,741	156,748	188,100
Tallow, Unrefined	361,854	195,664	1,089,911	822,049
Total, Class IX.	392,927	232,070	1,294,420	1,056,870
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	11,440	8,859	39,235	30,472
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS (INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES).				
Coal	135,300	116,746	775,527	552,129
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver-lead	83,699	56,486	371,670	257,780
Zinc	71,676	330,420	411,338	1,357,526
Other	6,363	17,200	38,915	41,350
Other Stones and Minerals ..	18,866	21,662	63,671	70,953
Total, Class XI.	315,904	542,514	1,661,121	2,279,738
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.				
(*a*) *Machines and Machinery.*				
Machines and Machinery ..	140,239	155,318	387,641	453,966
(*b*) *Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.*				
Copper—Ingots, and in matte ..	32,520	106,430	124,679	180,861
Iron and Steel—Manufactured and partly Manufactured	29,927	27,933	85,736	102,161
Lead—Pig, and in matte	988,222	935,900	3,240,029	2,873,253
Platinum, Osmium, &c.—Bars, Blocks, Rods, &c.	4,039	8,845	16,946	15,947
Tin Ingots	105,814	95,843	434,644	298,993
Vehicles	38,590	47,458	97,460	129,974
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c.	226,453	222,181	727,507	893,560
Other Metals, and Manufactures thereof	122,602	119,787	370,732	372,837
Total, Class XII.	1,688,406	1,719,695	5,485,374	5,321,552

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926–27.	1927–28.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	11,309	29,798	69,571	83,939
Leather	141,148	143,561	496,399	418,455
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	7,094	4,501	21,454	18,387
Total, Class XIII... ..	159,551	177,860	587,424	520,781
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber	325,858	265,934	1,081,939	1,019,535
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	15,709	17,758	51,057	63,156
Total, Class XIV.	341,567	283,692	1,132,996	1,082,691
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE..	23,267	33,718	78,792	101,107
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
Paper	16,081	14,040	52,910	45,940
Stationery	40,211	60,287	124,550	150,429
Total, Class XVI.	56,292	74,327	177,460	196,369
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones, Unset—Pearls, Cameos, &c.	17,989	19,634	124,997	70,268
Other Jewellery, Timepieces, and Fancy Goods	29,885	16,928	55,520	37,511
Total, Class XVII. ..	47,874	36,562	180,517	107,779
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Photographic Goods and Materials—Cameras, &c.	15,649	14,834	51,167	52,484
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	26,287	26,695	75,583	96,968
Other Optical, Surgical, and Scientific Instruments	15,204	19,006	65,258	58,063
Total, Class XVIII. ..	57,140	60,535	192,008	207,515

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1927.	1928.	1926-27.	1927-28.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.	£	£	£	£
Casein	10,469	9,131	28,925	24,689
Fertilizers—				
Ammonium Sulphate	12,351	3,354	44,404	30,050
Other	199	5,077	14,116	11,327
Medicines	88,120	22,555	171,144	80,433
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituous), N.E.I.	3,410	10,040	20,128	32,149
Eucalyptus	13,215	13,548	42,223	65,496
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	51,111	57,031	161,557	162,264
Total, Class XIX. ..	178,875	120,736	482,497	406,408
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	16,601	7,083	43,058	29,856
Personal and Household Effects, &c.	22,613	33,196	70,094	83,652
Soap	70,963	67,911	216,440	233,406
Vessels (Ships) transferred Abroad	51,280	6,000	145,780	6,020
All other Articles	48,004	57,336	169,076	171,892
Total, Class XX.	209,461	171,526	644,448	524,826
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER, AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in matte ..	1,010,590	318,269	9,625,031	2,530,770
Silver, including Silver in matte ..	147,966	199,025	704,646	718,979
Bronze Specie	10	..	10	23
Total, Class XXI. ..	1,158,566	517,294	10,329,687	3,249,772
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	17,435,298	16,103,343	51,615,944	44,632,326
Victoria	13,051,778	10,475,650	27,637,243	25,437,016
Queensland	2,847,136	4,369,026	11,254,050	16,078,953
South Australia	4,822,175	4,786,226	11,915,099	14,018,344
Western Australia	4,187,790	6,158,380	9,208,202	12,594,144
Tasmania	1,133,880	1,472,702	1,821,685	2,285,659
Northern Territory	9,717	12,259	26,805	16,766
Total { Australian Produce	42,761,931	42,696,297	111,200,988	113,000,122
Total { Other Produce ..	725,843	681,289	2,278,040	2,063,086
GRAND TOTAL	43,487,774	43,377,586	113,479,028	115,063,208
TOTAL EXPORTS—				
Merchandise	42,330,120	42,860,292	103,150,263	111,822,243
Bullion and Specie	1,157,654	517,294	10,328,765	3,240,965

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE of Australian Origin exported from each State to Various Countries during the first nine months of 1926-27 and 1927-28.

NOTE.—In these tables exports are referred to the State from which they were finally dispatched.

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927-28.	1926-27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	106,401	205,715	321,332	5,850	..	..	639,298	575,680
Africa, Portuguese East	38	113	..	..	..	..	151	98
Belgium	..	558	450	..	..	..	1,008	1,858
Borneo (British)	25	34	62	..	..	..	121	74
Canada	4,794	5	..	..	..	..	4,799	333
Ceylon	2,283	1,174	1,566	..	..	..	5,023	4,272
China	6,323	2,558	116	..	..	..	8,997	7,997
Egypt	3,398	1,822	4,308	..	..	..	9,528	12,049
France	7,004	6	..	..	..	..	7,010	566
Germany	7,840	24	..	..	..	..	7,864	2,170
Hong Kong	3,199	302	17	..	..	..	3,518	4,578
India	150	211	5	..	..	..	366	183
Japan	239	7	103	..	..	..	349	895
Korea	..	14	74	..	..	..	88	52
Malaya (British)	1,155	6,002	1,931	..	..	..	9,088	9,609
Mauritius	38	712	..	..	..	..	750	694
Netherlands East Indies	2,180	44,848	2,257	..	..	..	49,285	43,443
New Zealand	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	45
Pacific Islands—								
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	47	39	..	..	..	..	86	87
Hawaiian Islands	166	..	..	..	..	..	166	54
New Caledonia	542	..	..	..	..	..	542	310
New Hebrides	152	..	..	..	..	..	152	128
Solomon Islands	30	..	113	..	..	..	143	129
Territory of New Guinea	268	..	285	..	..	..	553	484
Other Islands	90	71	..	..	..	..	161	167
Panama	8,489	..	..	..	..	..	8,489	1,927
Papua	57	..	327	..	..	..	384	358
Philippine Islands	809	224	3,082	..	..	..	4,115	3,120
Siam	..	417	160	..	..	..	577	628
South African Union	752	788	280	..	..	..	1,820	2,257
Sudan	188	..	..	..	..	..	188	125
Syria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
United States of America	563	..	..	..	..	..	563	1
Other Countries	68	35	24	..	..	..	127	137
Total Nine Months—								
1927-28	157,288	265,679	336,492	5,850	..	..	765,309	..
1926-27	163,692	324,989	169,975	15,874	..	..	..	674,530

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	704,986	1,540,799	2,135,292	43,291	..	..	4,424,368	4,084,544
Africa, Portuguese East	432	1,038	..	..	..	..	1,470	1,033
Belgium	..	5,063	2,787	..	..	..	7,850	13,602
Borneo (British)	215	297	597	..	..	..	1,109	615
Canada	35,416	62	..	..	..	..	35,478	2,271
Ceylon	15,583	11,216	10,814	..	..	..	37,613	30,190
China	42,281	21,069	696	..	..	..	64,046	55,267
Egypt	22,072	13,662	29,116	..	..	..	64,850	81,763
France	44,883	58	..	..	..	..	44,941	4,234
Germany	48,300	217	..	..	..	..	48,517	15,612
Hong Kong	23,326	2,523	125	..	..	..	25,974	32,780
India	1,364	1,925	49	..	..	..	3,338	1,610
Japan	1,846	65	669	..	..	..	2,580	6,801
Korea	..	110	669	..	..	..	779	450
Malaya (British)	8,825	51,354	13,560	..	..	..	73,739	75,166
Mauritius	394	6,565	..	..	..	..	6,959	6,351
Netherlands East Indies	17,753	325,159	18,938	..	..	..	361,850	341,518
New Zealand	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	318
Pacific Islands—								
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	444	305	..	..	..	..	749	721
Hawaiian Islands	1,240	..	..	..	..	..	1,240	394
New Caledonia	4,398	..	..	..	..	..	4,398	2,243
New Hebrides	1,365	..	..	..	..	..	1,365	1,110
Solomon Islands	305	..	1,074	..	..	..	1,379	1,200
Territory of New Guinea	2,264	..	2,667	..	..	..	4,931	4,183
Other Islands	811	615	..	..	..	..	1,426	1,401
Panama	53,826	..	..	..	..	..	53,826	14,706
Papua	512	..	2,696	..	..	..	3,208	3,187
Philippine Islands	5,402	1,844	22,473	..	..	..	29,719	22,461
Siam	..	3,652	1,539	..	..	..	5,191	5,516
South African Union	5,443	5,958	2,000	..	..	..	13,401	16,753
Sudan	1,409	5	..	..	..	..	1,414	871
Syria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	158
United States of America	4,548	..	..	..	..	..	4,548	9
Other Countries	562	374	228	..	..	..	1,164	1,159
Total, Nine Months—								
1927–28	1,050,205	1,993,935	2,245,989	43,291	..	..	5,333,420	..
1926–27	1,145,698	2,460,995	1,127,478	96,026	..	..	..	4,830,197

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	150,185	424,426	..	304,207	138,329	..	1,017,147	1,074,157
Aden	3,167	3,730	..	..	..	..	6,897	3,238
Africa, Portuguese East	..	86,281	..	28,787	..	..	115,068	77,515
Africa, Portuguese West	500	1,120	..	..	..	..	1,620	..
Borneo (British)	25,994	3,585	..	2,589	..	..	32,168	27,580
Canary Islands	..	4,327	..	13,097	2,002	..	19,426	14,928
Ceylon	4,947	216,756	..	39,752	47,527	..	308,982	225,947
China	1,470	3,248	..	..	..	..	4,718	4,053
Egypt	312,904	640,791	..	518,455	667,932	..	2,140,082	2,358,086
Egypt (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,480
Eritrea	..	..	..	2,202	..	..	2,202	..
France	..	..	..	551	..	..	551	20,302
French Indo-China	13,742	22,430	..	..	..	..	36,172	23,139
Germany	..	224	..	110	..	..	334	11
Gibraltar	1,120	2,240	..	3,891	..	..	7,251	3,869
Hong Kong	4,060	63,699	..	..	..	..	67,759	68,507
India	..	3,309	..	..	2,942	..	6,251	3,467
Japan	4,248	7,441	..	..	..	..	11,689	6,532
Madagascar	3,653	560	..	..	..	..	4,213	..
Malaya (British)	296,302	185,364	..	10,990	171,021	..	663,677	580,871
Malta	..	29,425	..	8,888	40,319	..	78,632	90,258
Mauritius	..	58,421	..	6,620	..	..	65,041	115,289
Netherlands	3,360	2,240	..	..	4,480	..	10,080	9,520
Netherlands East Indies	291,711	525,822	..	36,767	125,288	..	979,588	895,511
New Zealand	36,249	41,926	..	2,617	..	..	80,792	536,533
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	55,568	60	..	..	..	..	55,628	53,691
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	1,529	1,499	..	..	..	..	3,028	2,015
New Caledonia	59,965	..	..	..	..	..	59,965	46,903
New Hebrides	10,926	..	..	..	..	..	10,926	11,481
Samoa (British)	9,410	..	..	..	..	..	9,410	10,336
Society Islands	1,941	100	..	..	..	..	2,041	710
Solomon Islands	1,939	..	..	..	..	..	1,939	1,667
Territory of New Guinea	5,700	..	2	..	..	..	5,702	5,410
Tonga	12,160	..	..	..	..	..	12,160	18,162
Other Islands	3,016	552	..	..	..	..	3,568	4,234
Palestine	..	12,410	..	..	..	..	12,410	15,239
Papua	10,724	..	157	..	..	..	10,881	12,028
Philippine Islands	102,210	9,555	101	..	..	..	111,866	139,406
Port Said (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,259
Siam	13,293	24,394	..	..	..	..	37,687	33,163
South African Union	978	228,452	..	56,983	19,000	..	305,413	286,737
Sudan	10,690	..	..	..	..	..	10,690	14,840
Syria	..	..	..	..	22,400	..	22,400	29,323
Turkey	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50,400
Other Countries	1,891	245	..	469	1,727	..	4,332	4,064
Total, Nine Months—								
1927–28	1,455,552	2,604,632	260	1,036,975	1,242,967	..	6,340,386	..
1926–27	2,187,012	2,315,185	428	1,019,808	1,377,428	..	..	6,899,861

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	89,867	253,504	..	180,058	81,188	..	604,617	675,096
Aden	1,941	2,266	..	..	..	..	4,207	2,267
Africa, Portuguese East	..	53,586	..	18,898	..	..	72,484	53,535
Africa, Portuguese West	313	656	..	..	..	..	969	..
Borneo (British)	18,327	2,109	..	1,572	..	..	22,008	19,472
Canary Islands	..	2,676	..	7,536	1,236	..	11,448	9,814
Ceylon	3,040	128,837	..	24,086	28,553	..	184,516	148,508
China	1,106	1,854	..	..	..	..	2,960	2,474
Egypt	186,845	370,621	..	297,011	384,212	..	1,238,689	1,484,613
Egypt (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,945
Eritrea	..	..	..	1,232	..	..	1,232	..
France	..	..	..	314	..	..	314	13,099
French Indo-China	8,737	14,152	..	..	..	..	22,889	15,690
Germany	..	168	..	62	..	..	230	8
Gibraltar	690	1,320	..	2,329	..	..	4,339	2,435
Hong Kong	2,466	39,277	..	..	..	..	41,743	40,283
India	..	2,051	..	..	1,903	..	3,954	2,486
Japan	2,806	4,229	..	..	..	..	7,035	4,173
Madagascar	2,185	334	..	..	..	..	2,519	..
Malaya (British)	187,314	115,075	..	6,862	111,295	..	420,546	396,042
Malta	..	18,168	..	4,826	24,359	..	47,353	56,838
Mauritius	..	34,669	..	3,910	..	..	38,579	63,289
Netherlands	2,125	1,204	..	..	2,912	..	6,241	6,234
Netherlands East Indies	198,842	320,385	..	22,925	79,367	..	621,519	627,307
New Zealand	23,300	25,335	..	1,564	..	..	50,199	358,191
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	35,354	40	..	..	..	..	35,394	37,348
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	1,081	1,011	..	..	..	..	2,092	1,485
New Caledonia	38,294	..	..	..	..	..	38,294	32,047
New Hebrides	7,038	..	..	..	..	..	7,038	8,067
Samoa (British)	6,074	..	..	..	..	..	6,074	7,194
Society Islands	1,232	61	..	..	..	..	1,293	562
Solomon Islands	1,333	..	..	..	..	..	1,333	1,249
Territory of New Guinea	4,061	..	1	..	..	..	4,062	4,167
Tonga	8,022	..	..	..	..	..	8,022	12,949
Other Islands	2,039	377	..	..	..	..	2,416	3,066
Palestine	..	7,275	..	..	..	..	7,275	10,296
Papua	7,131	..	127	..	..	..	7,258	8,724
Philippine Islands	69,315	5,004	89	..	..	..	74,408	100,024
Port Said (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,620
Siam	9,646	15,146	..	..	..	..	24,792	22,594
South African Union	653	137,719	..	35,148	11,943	..	185,463	187,260
Sudan	6,244	..	..	..	..	..	6,244	8,942
Syria	..	..	..	..	12,312	..	12,312	16,492
Turkey	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27,993
Other Countries	1,068	161	..	299	1,054	..	2,582	2,644
Total, Nine Months—								
1927–28	928,489	1,559,270	217	608,632	740,334	..	3,836,942	..
1926–27	1,456,032	1,511,199	298	664,027	856,966	..	..	4,488,522

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Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	769,631	751,373	141,780	1,897,064	2,135,959	53,292	5,749,099	7,682,569
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (for orders) ..	166,911	..	..	..	..	..	166,911	173,946
Africa, French West ..	..	..	..	30,970	174,786	..	205,756	159,209
Algeria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	167,427
Azores (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	179,356
Belgium ..	33,179	..	..	341,403	121,587	..	496,169	1,452,532
Canary Islands (for orders) ..	163,323	181,502	..	724,682	566,955	..	1,636,462	4,391,685
Ceylon ..	..	927	..	..	..	..	927	958
Egypt	..	..	..	315,548	1,604,301	..	1,919,849	1,633,467
France	..	..	..	123,039	..	..	123,039	1,261,068
France (for orders)	201,971	..	..	16,927	..	..	218,898	..
Germany ..	38,994	24,074	..	69,297	38,639	..	171,004	100,786
Greece ..	13,227	..	..	..	106,383	..	119,610	..
Guam (for orders)	..	..	..	112,020	989,905	..	1,101,925	701,319
India	..	67,929	..	200,986	856,743	..	1,125,658	1,162,558
Irish Free State ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	188,355
Italy	85,508	189,182	..	6,258	1,741,591	..	2,022,539	3,201,907
Japan	..	199,775	..	274,800	408,245	..	882,820	1,058,704
Malta	..	16,808	..	11,075	33,600	..	61,483	182,634
Netherlands ..	..	31,344	..	55,257	55,454	..	142,055	188,453
New Zealand ..	99,174	287,561	..	..	..	..	386,735	624,402
Peru	..	..	..	327,522	368,768	..	696,290	184,045
Port Said (for orders) ..	63,608	..	..	..	..	..	63,608	623,266
South African Union ..	..	15,408	..	894,594	1,215,572	..	2,125,574	844,162
Suez (for orders)	131,599	..	..	..	..	..	131,599	..
Sweden ..	296,800	..	..	33,212	..	..	330,012	100,800
Syria	..	..	..	22,126	..	..	22,126	..
Turkey ..	..	..	..	..	38,865	..	38,865	17,834
Other Countries	2,429	158	17	40	960	..	3,604	2,651
Total, 9 months— 1927–28 ..	2,066,354	1,766,041	141,797	5,456,820	10,458,313	53,292	19,942,617	..
1926–27 ..	4,569,931	10,053,049	5	6,857,346	4,792,494	11,268	..	26,284,093

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	378,797	350,163	63,894	881,490	911,259	21,394	2,606,997	3,576,803
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (for orders) ..	76,623	..	..	..	..	..	76,623	80,684
Africa, French West ..	..	..	..	14,918	84,610	..	99,528	71,617
Algeria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	73,250
Azores (for orders)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	84,831
Belgium ..	15,800	..	..	157,363	55,852	..	229,015	696,718
Canary Islands (for orders) ..	77,517	88,290	..	335,975	285,161	..	786,943	2,019,382
Ceylon ..	..	453	..	..	..	..	453	500
Egypt	..	..	..	151,046	730,851	..	881,897	748,639
France	..	..	..	53,891	..	..	53,891	581,370
France (for orders)	93,896	..	..	7,915	..	..	101,811	..
Germany ..	18,966	11,202	..	30,002	17,558	..	77,728	45,337
Greece ..	7,958	..	..	..	47,651	..	55,609	..
Guam (for orders)	..	..	..	53,359	474,827	..	528,186	322,890
India	..	33,023	..	96,075	365,961	..	495,059	530,257
Irish Free State ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	83,713
Italy	47,494	92,349	..	2,837	745,657	..	888,337	1,530,852
Japan	..	96,552	..	126,041	180,026	..	402,619	466,650
Malta	..	7,353	..	5,192	14,969	..	27,514	86,414
Netherlands ..	..	14,584	..	25,473	18,687	..	58,744	85,678
New Zealand ..	48,849	132,921	..	..	..	..	181,770	304,053
Peru	..	..	..	151,022	117,360	..	268,382	84,003
Port Said (for orders)	32,096	..	..	..	..	..	32,096	281,258
South African Union ..	..	7,076	..	417,909	560,015	..	985,000	414,308
Suez (for orders)	62,757	..	..	..	..	..	62,757	..
Sweden ..	136,333	..	..	14,711	..	..	151,044	44,450
Syria	..	..	..	10,663	..	..	10,663	..
Turkey ..	..	..	..	..	17,705	..	17,705	9,029
Other Countries	1,255	82	12	20	450	..	1,819	1,452
Total, 9 months—								
1927–28 ..	998,341	834,048	63,906	2,535,902	4,628,599	21,394	9,082,190	..
1926–27 ..	2,120,604	4,694,557	5	3,150,246	2,253,794	4,932	..	12,224,138

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927-28.	1926-27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	696,405	438,279	141,465	225,260	332,294	43,772	1,877,475	1,932,222
Austria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	654
Belgium	379,472	80,895	91,909	69,870	39,515	5,950	667,611	649,772
Canada	..	997	..	564	..	..	1,561	3,283
Ceylon ..	..	..	..	..	70	..	70	..
Czecho-Slovakia ..	1,597	329	..	..	..	..	1,926	2,571
Egypt	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
France	596,178	294,856	132,463	178,710	107,866	5,149	1,315,222	1,524,341
Germany ..	485,677	137,089	126,012	104,764	62,140	14,637	930,319	849,337
India	..	6,414	..	15	211	101	6,741	2,339
Italy	152,443	90,431	55,545	6,662	9,048	..	314,129	245,322
Japan	521,327	155,394	132,693	7,256	..	1,777	818,447	576,175
Netherlands ..	3	420	583	..	..	..	1,006	9,942
New Zealand ..	461	27	..	..	..	..	488	774
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	21	21	..
Poland	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52
Russia	29,635	7,588	13,073	7,088	..	..	57,384	..
Sweden	5,484	2,264	847	..	..	..	8,595	4,497
Switzerland ..	..	196	..	..	..	..	196	1
United States of America ..	75,610	115,206	4,840	16,602	32,319	12,711	257,288	389,497
Total, 9 months—								
1927-28 ..	2,944,295	1,330,385	699,430	616,791	583,463	84,118	6,258,482	
1926-27 ..	2,948,645	1,441,919	680,114	554,484	481,351	84,236	..	6,190,779

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927-28.	1926-27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	6,364,325	4,387,636	1,227,976	1,763,856	2,782,080	435,174	16,961,047	14,294,819
Austria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,311
Belgium ..	2,787,492	619,182	677,771	404,583	226,812	66,423	4,782,263	4,187,460
Canada ..	..	10,302	..	6,182	..	..	16,484	23,087
Ceylon ..	..	..	..	..	360	..	360	..
Czecho-Slovakia	15,336	2,589	..	..	..	..	17,925	19,496
Egypt ..	15	..	..	..	..	..	15	..
France ..	4,788,893	2,257,733	1,026,578	1,173,122	807,004	50,609	10,103,939	10,457,215
Germany ..	4,066,122	1,318,602	1,046,756	788,762	492,697	160,995	7,873,934	6,179,989
India ..	..	41,905	..	80	1,586	975	44,546	12,575
Italy ..	1,303,095	788,157	462,314	46,767	69,912	..	2,670,245	1,821,434
Japan ..	4,713,598	1,437,595	1,209,988	58,954	..	16,747	7,436,882	4,909,303
Netherlands ..	22	5,075	4,941	..	..	..	10,038	80,673
New Zealand ..	4,519	304	..	..	..	..	4,823	6,208
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	..	210	210	..
Poland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	406
Russia ..	295,789	80,555	117,984	63,396	..	..	557,724	..
Sweden ..	47,507	22,251	7,000	..	..	..	76,758	34,926
Switzerland ..	..	1,783	..	..	..	..	1,783	4
United States of America ..	867,321	1,293,052	52,127	162,533	336,056	153,035	2,864,124	3,782,616
Total, 9 months—								
1927-28 ..	25,254,034	12,266,721	5,833,435	4,468,235	4,716,507	884,168	53,423,100	..
1926-27 ..	22,204,936	11,080,722	5,314,231	3,392,491	3,119,401	703,741	..	45,815,522

WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	48,499	32,711	34,540	22,638	5,676	379	144,443	238,175
,, ,, (a)	1,234	..	..	..	41	..	1,275	948
Belgium	33,998	3,689	10,050	3,048	331	..	51,116	43,031
Canada	292	194	..	..	..	..	486	1,382
,, .. (a)	1,553	..	..	..	..	..	1,553	1,340
Denmark ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	39
Czecho-Slovakia ..	253	..	..	..	..	..	253	..
Finland	..	233	..	..	..	..	233	2,080
France	54,382	16,510	5,044	1,927	362	..	78,225	74,481
Germany.. ..	40,558	24,094	14,223	1,160	507	..	80,542	32,142
,, .. (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	235
India	..	155	..	18	..	..	173	..
Italy	2,274	471	138	..	71	..	2,954	2,456
Japan	5,227	3,153	286	..	..	..	8,666	5,851
,, .. (a)	10,752	6,870	..	..	..	..	17,622	31,639
Mexico	..	336	..	..	..	..	336	696
Netherlands ..	131	..	105	..	..	..	236	..
New Zealand ..	252	14	..	..	..	..	266	175
,, (a)	..	65	..	..	..	..	65	..
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140
Russia	14,224	..	5,532	87	..	..	19,843	..
,, .. (a)	210	..	..	..	..	..	210	..
Sweden	..	110	..	..	..	..	110	265
United States of America ..	905	3,896	..	..	..	..	4,801	2,203
,, ,, (a)	250	..	..	..	..	..	250	..
Total, 9 months—								
1927–28 ..	214,994	92,501	69,918	28,878	6,988	379	413,658	..
1926–27 ..	229,488	98,610	67,739	27,358	12,739	1,344	..	437,278

(a) Tops.

WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	533,918	408,384	458,035	255,975	61,883	3,541	1,721,736	2,519,874
,, ,, (a)	24,298	..	..	..	387	..	24,685	18,165
Belgium	366,203	43,917	134,588	36,605	3,747	..	585,060	424,863
Canada	3,235	1,565	..	..	..	..	4,800	13,716
,, .. (a)	35,947	..	..	..	..	..	35,947	28,444
Denmark.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	577
Czecho-Slovakia ..	4,157	..	..	..	..	..	4,157	..
Finland	..	4,376	..	..	..	..	4,376	36,966
France	712,527	209,489	70,276	18,375	4,510	..	1,015,177	813,017
Germany.. ..	578,565	412,522	213,857	18,482	6,072	..	1,229,498	408,260
,, .. (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,810
India	..	1,635	..	320	..	..	1,955	..
Italy	23,249	4,436	1,018	..	1,176	..	29,879	27,089
Japan	47,248	33,544	3,635	..	..	..	84,427	64,859
,, .. (a)	213,462	105,324	..	..	..	..	318,786	570,229
Mexico	..	5,540	..	..	..	..	5,540	9,140
Netherlands ..	1,781	..	1,708	..	..	..	3,489	..
New Zealand ..	3,048	244	..	..	..	..	3,292	2,085
,, (a)	..	1,177	..	..	..	..	1,177	..
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,543
Russia	219,152	..	94,117	1,351	..	..	314,620	..
,, .. (a)	4,400	..	..	..	..	..	4,400	..
Sweden	..	1,503	..	..	..	..	1,503	2,433
United States of America ..	10,361	56,969	..	..	..	..	67,330	26,010
,, ,, (a)	5,630	..	..	..	..	..	5,630	..
Total, 9 Months—								
1927–28 ..	2,787,181	1,290,625	977,234	331,108	77,775	3,541	5,467,464	..
1926–27 ..	2,553,459	1,105,887	876,008	296,554	128,648	11,524	..	4,972,080

(a) Tops.

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	3,355	12,479	488,093	..	11,832	..	515,759	444,717
Austria	..	..	7,894	..	..	..	7,894	..
Belgium	..	..	153,123	..	65,254	..	218,377	70,614
Ceylon	290	..	3,191	..	..	..	3,481	3,830
China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,236
Egypt	286	1,411	42,970	..	12,415	..	57,082	50,630
France	..	..	4,534	..	..	..	4,534	..
Germany	..	..	72,315	..	..	..	72,315	38,097
Gibraltar	20	..	7,209	..	..	..	7,229	8,131
Hong Kong	..	..	9,542	..	..	..	9,542	9,629
Italy	..	..	4,948	..	..	..	4,948	13,209
Japan	290	657	18,792	..	..	..	19,739	11,410
Malaya (British) ..	714	..	14,009	..	..	..	14,723	16,400
Malta	..	..	22,630	..	..	..	22,630	29,848
Netherlands East Indies	..	6	1,322	..	1,108	..	2,436	4,012
Pacific Islands—								
Hawaiian Islands ..	13,626	..	..	..	..	..	13,626	19,218
Territory of New Guinea ..	1,001	..	..	..	..	..	1,001	695
Other Islands ..	36	197	..	..	..	..	233	440
Panama	5,474	..	1,950	..	..	..	7,424	13,696
Philippine Islands ..	2,205	..	50,999	..	..	..	53,204	67,498
United States of America ..	886	..	..	..	..	..	886	181
Other Countries ..	241	..	31	..	..	..	272	590
Total, 9 months—								
1927–28	28,424	14,750	903,552	..	90,609	..	1,037,335	..
1926–27	87,194	31,875	622,782	2,264	66,966	..	..	811,081

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	5,576	20,112	675,464	..	17,949	..	719,101	638,914
Austria	..	..	9,496	..	..	..	9,496	..
Belgium	..	..	196,934	..	76,767	..	273,701	97,321
Ceylon	710	..	6,190	..	..	..	6,900	7,473
China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,726
Egypt	644	2,388	68,796	..	15,720	..	87,548	81,685
France	..	..	6,044	..	..	..	6,044	..
Germany	..	..	85,372	..	..	..	85,372	53,665
Gibraltar	77	..	12,765	..	..	..	12,842	13,213
Hong Kong ..	..	..	15,430	..	..	..	15,430	16,037
Italy	..	..	6,181	..	..	..	6,181	26,905
Japan	348	806	26,617	..	..	..	27,771	14,674
Malaya (British) ..	1,462	..	24,335	..	..	..	25,797	28,855
Malta	..	..	29,889	..	..	..	29,889	48,066
Netherlands East Indies	..	16	2,357	..	1,789	..	4,162	7,147
Pacific Islands—								
Hawaiian Islands ..	21,815	..	..	..	..	..	21,815	31,600
Territory of New Guinea ..	3,462	..	..	..	..	..	3,462	1,896
Other Islands ..	116	489	..	..	..	..	605	1,201
Panama	8,838	..	3,150	..	..	..	11,988	22,404
Philippine Islands ..	4,692	..	72,966	..	..	..	77,658	93,718
United States of America ..	2,345	..	..	..	..	..	2,345	333
Other Countries ..	638	..	92	..	..	..	730	1,355
Total, 9 months—								
1927–28	50,723	23,811	1,242,078	..	112,225	..	1,428,837	..
1926–27	134,115	48,070	905,879	3,104	99,020	..	..	1,190,188

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927-28.	1926-27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	130,052	237,074	..	3,656	2,272	..	373,054	809,249
Belgium	2,380	2,047	..	..	..	..	4,427	..
Canada	5,468	1,325	..	..	..	..	6,793	10,569
Ceylon	3,052	..	..	..	..	..	3,052	3,257
Egypt	1,309	1,026	..	..	..	..	2,335	2,334
France	3,450	1,287	..	..	..	..	4,737	4,201
Germany	932	..	..	..	..	..	932	..
Gibraltar	333	566	..	..	..	..	899	..
Hong Kong	3,992	..	..	..	..	..	3,992	2,871
Japan	394	..	179	..	..	..	573	118
Malaya (British) ..	5,604	2,906	275	..	..	..	8,785	8,155
Malta	1,636	1,120	..	..	..	..	2,756	4,825
Pacific Islands—								
Hawaiian Islands ..	3,691	..	..	..	..	..	3,691	3,035
Territory of New Guinea	369	..	..	..	..	..	369	298
Other Islands ..	170	..	..	..	..	..	170	383
Papua	190	..	..	..	..	..	190	220
Philippine Islands ..	1,126	..	4	..	..	..	1,130	1,133
United States of America	276	..	..	..	..	..	276	247
Other Countries ..	90	233	28	..	..	..	351	680
Total, 9 months—								
1927-28	164,514	247,584	486	3,656	2,272	..	418,512	..
1926-27	389,244	459,834	67	2,430	..	..	..	851,575

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927-28.	1926-27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	294,902	651,055	..	10,093	7,675	..	963,725	1,800,095
Belgium	4,160	3,593	..	..	..	..	7,753	..
Canada	14,381	4,606	..	..	..	..	18,987	25,637
Ceylon	8,511	..	..	..	..	..	8,511	6,561
Egypt	3,430	2,495	..	..	..	..	5,925	4,441
France	5,621	2,053	..	..	..	..	7,674	5,980
Germany	1,696	..	..	..	..	..	1,696	..
Gibraltar	589	1,393	..	..	..	..	1,982	..
Hong Kong	10,305	..	..	..	..	..	10,305	6,051
Japan	983	..	329	..	..	..	1,312	261
Malaya (British) ..	14,846	10,113	658	..	..	..	25,617	19,168
Malta	2,045	2,602	..	..	..	..	4,647	7,995
Pacific Islands—								
Hawaiian Islands ..	9,871	..	..	..	..	..	9,871	7,962
Territory of New Guinea	950	..	..	..	..	..	950	615
Other Islands	423	..	..	..	..	..	423	668
Papua	380	..	..	..	..	..	380	349
Philippine Islands ..	2,982	..	8	..	..	..	2,990	2,392
United States of America	638	..	..	..	..	..	638	384
Other Countries ..	194	436	68	..	..	..	698	918
Total, 9 months—								
1927-28	376,907	678,346	1,063	10,093	7,675	..	1,074,084	..
1926-27	720,147	1,163,079	145	6,106	..	..	..	1,889,477

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	2,325	1,310	6,455	..	6,205	..	16,295	58,483
Africa, British West ..	..	..	588	..	..	..	588	24
Canada	311	..	..	..	..	..	311	775
Ceylon	160	334	13	..	..	..	507	760
Hong Kong	15	..	..	..	..	..	15	687
India	..	505	..	..	..	..	505	3,436
Malaya (British) ..	180	99	86	..	76	..	441	365
Netherlands East Indies	2,099	906	15	..	..	..	3,020	4.503
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	488	..	..	..	..	..	488	503
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	332	595	..	..	..	..	927	194
Nauru	25	29	..	..	..	..	54	116
New Hebrides ..	1,939	..	..	..	..	..	1,939	905
Samoa (British) ..	291	..	..	..	..	..	291	15
Solomon Islands ..	2,295	..	23	..	..	..	2,318	1,892
Territory of New Guinea	7,835	..	155	..	..	..	7,990	7,120
Other Islands ..	31	..	..	..	..	..	31	188
Papua	1,422	..	107	..	..	..	1,529	1,996
Philippine Islands ..	5	..	8	..	..	..	13	901
South African Union ..	177	5	..	..	..	..	182	333
Other Countries ..	98	43	..	..	..	..	141	182
Total, 9 months—								
1927–28	20,028	3,826	7,450	..	6,281	..	37,585	..
1926–27	48,889	5,921	24,084	30	4,454	..	..	83,378

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1927–28.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Great Britain and Northern Ireland ..	5,981	4,199	13,847	..	12,380	..	36,407	194,566
Africa, British West ..	..	..	1,920	..	..	..	1,920	90
Canada	1,191	..	..	..	..	..	1,191	2,967
Ceylon	586	1,565	89	..	..	..	2,240	2,963
Hong Kong	76	..	..	..	..	..	76	2,086
India	..	2,088	..	..	..	..	2,088	14,673
Malaya (British) ..	825	368	942	..	219	..	2,354	1,731
Netherlands East Indies	7,818	2,273	45	..	..	..	10,136	16,853
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	1,711	..	..	..	..	..	1,711	1,898
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	1,320	1,773	..	..	..	..	3,093	814
Nauru	89	109	..	..	..	..	198	430
New Hebrides ..	7,094	..	..	..	..	..	7,094	3,373
Samoa (British) ..	937	..	..	..	..	..	937	96
Solomon Islands ..	7,880	..	157	..	..	..	8,037	6,243
Territory of New Guinea	27,815	..	1,007	..	..	..	28,822	27,363
Other Islands ..	141	..	..	..	..	..	141	591
Papua	5,266	..	660	..	..	..	5,926	7,336
Philippine Islands ..	20	..	45	..	..	..	65	2,568
South African Union ..	705	17	..	..	..	..	722	1,067
Other Countries ..	437	198	5	..	..	..	640	891
Total, 9 months—								
1927–28	69,892	12,590	18,717	..	12,599	..	113,798	..
1926–27	172,267	22,591	82,424	76	11,241	..	..	288,599

Section IV.—Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

RECEIPTS, 1922–23 TO 1926–27.

Sources of Revenue.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
TAXATION—	£	£	£	£	£
Customs	22,597,306	25,177,882	26,405,161	27,839,889	31,832,600
Excise	10,274,823	10,572,902	10,787,620	11,358,989	11,719,878
Land Tax	2,018,876	2,030,127	2,519,711	2,521,910	2,615,900
Probate and Succession Duties	1,172,935	1,320,911	1,381,051	1,411,336	1,362,351
Income Tax	12,904,518	11,057,555	11,136,344	10,858,046	11,126,278
Entertainment Tax	629,802	622,460	680,586	460,326	366,159
War-Time Profits Tax	286,757	70,646	*Dr.* 74,783	*Dr.* 77,491	*Dr.* 28,357
Total Taxation	49,885,017	50,852,483	52,835,690	54,373,005	58,994,809
Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones	9,792,273	9,757,021	10,044,486	10,771,756	11,606,819
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	40,491	37,769	39,026	42,017	41,594
Coinage	137,696	151,682	107,275	332,014	373,071
Defence, including Balance of Trust Account	325,821	356,273	146,491	130,662	152,494
Quarantine	41,388	38,445	36,599	30,553	40,451
Lighthouse and Light Dues	173,363	179,733	205,170	198,353	216,851
Federal Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	12,790
Northern Territory	28,188	30,658	38,720	41,973	34,385
Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway	215,368	215,945	254,291	276,278	299,295
Darwin-Katherine River Railway	14,768	16,461	29,106	38,879	62,202
Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway	..	..	..	27,035	105,988
Sugar	168,709	17,241	40,000	6,243	..
Interest on Loans, Advances, etc.	3,897,553	4,363,492	5,077,955	6,017,038	6,227,486
Miscellaneous					
Total	64,720,635	66,017,203	68,854,809	72,285,806	78,168,235
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	8 17 1	8 16 11	8 19 11	9 1 6	9 13 1
Total Revenue	11 9 9	11 9 8	11 14 6	12 1 3	12 15 10

DISBURSEMENTS, 1922–23 TO 1926–27.

Departments, etc.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
GOVERNOR-GENERAL—	£	£	£	£	£
Salary	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Governor-General's Establishment, etc.	11,046	10,931	10,835	13,615	20,369
Miscellaneous(*a*)	6,999	6,914	5,942	6,313	903
Total	28,045	27,845	26,777	29,928	31,272
PARLIAMENT—					
Salaries of Ministers	14,598	13,569	14,408	15,300	15,300
Allowances to Senators	34,790	35,312	35,135	34,769	35,635
Allowances to Members of House of Representatives	65,275	74,359	74,628	66,055	74,190
Officers, Staff, Contingencies, etc.	61,484	61,418	60,353	64,089	71,837
Repairs, Maintenance, etc.	1,800	1,894	2,284	2,281	1,832
Printing	23,108	24,244	24,323	28,182	24,623
Travelling Expenses of Members and Others	29,300	20,200	19,898	20,144	20,897
Insurance	342	342	342	342	45
Electoral Office	78,706	74,401	81,791	83,285	87,007
Election Expenses	89,808	721	2,951	106,704	1,685
Referendum	..	..	..	..	105,366
Administration of Electoral Act	44,703	25,576	32,437	41,568	43,702
Miscellaneous	2,550	3,976	6,707	6,700	55,515
Total	446,464	336,012	355,257	469,419	537,634

(*a*) Includes expenditure on cablegrams, etc., transmitted by the Governor-General on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—*continued.*

Departments, etc.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£
PRIME MINISTER—					
Salaries, Contingencies, etc.	38,896	34,800	41,623	41,483	47,475
Audit Office	34,754	35,382	36,052	33,459	36,511
Rent, Repairs, etc.	7,710	10,348	10,094	8,454	8,351
Public Service Board's Office	33,745	47,491	50,849	50,485	52,628
High Commissioner's Office	59,024	54,508	60,664	63,744	63,220
Commissioner for Australia in U.S.A.	6,466	11,489	14,875	12,270	12,966
Interest and Sinking Fund on Commonwealth Securities	470,067	542,518	608,128	626,853	772,003
Mail Service, Pacific Islands	46,805	52,953	*b*	*b*	*b*
Secretariat, League of Nations	37,470	34,620	25,500	24,893	24,975
Scientific and Industrial Research	..	..	..	..	*b*11,803
Immigration	69,560	66,866	*b*	*b*	108,746
Miscellaneous	104,030	203,686	176,059	82,738	186,504
Total	908,527	1,094,661	1,023,844	944,379	1,325,182
HOME AND TERRITORIES—					
Chief Office	21,141	24,544	27,891	27,369	48,328
Census and Statistics	20,438	19,575	23,594	26,240	27,620
Meteorological Office	80,911	39,245	34,656	34,562	36,616
Mail Service, Pacific Islands	*c*	*c*	52,834	50,418	53,092
Papua	80,894	79,139	71,239	96,745	67,158
Northern Territory	195,886	212,469	145,685	147,120	126,582
Federal Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	43,485
New Guinea	..	..	10,064	10,214	11,077
Norfolk Island	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,945	4,339
Lands and Surveys	15,124	12,354	15,035	*b*	*b*
Interest and Sinking Fund, Commonwealth Securities	39,821	75,938	84,497	97,063	139,115
Rent, Repairs, etc.	23,128	22,615	15,319	12,074	12,310
Aid to Prospecting	..	..	..	100,000	100,000
Miscellaneous(*a*)	45,189	33,261	40,869	94,006	107,569
Total	526,032	522,640	524,983	699,756	777,291
ATTORNEY-GENERAL—					
Secretary's Office	20,010	17,949	19,555	21,596	26,801
Crown Solicitor's Office	18,829	19,478	21,997	22,690	24,465
Salaries of Justices of High Court	21,500	21,500	21,500	21,500	21,500
High Court Expenses	13,957	14,104	13,269	14,000	14,994
Court of Conciliation and Arbitration	11,182	12,378	11,995	12,958	23,162
Rent, Repairs, etc.	12,797	11,081	11,472	12,571	12,039
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	43,973	42,935	45,598	48,691	48,119
Miscellaneous	20,549	22,711	23,629	31,421	27,431
Total	162,797	162,136	169,015	185,427	198,511
WORKS AND RAILWAYS—					
Chief Office	32,939	34,274	33,495	35,683	15,270
Trans-Australian Railway	249,289	265,293	285,912	285,876	271,398
Commonwealth Railways, Miscellaneous	196,246	188.441	131,238	213,898	213,362
Lands and Survey	..	..	..	*c*13,952	17,143
Interest and Sinking Fund on Commonwealth Securities	130,942	150,092	369,979	472,674	578,830
Main Roads Development	500,000	..	500,000	750,000	..
Miscellaneous	17,890	31,231	14,643	39,015	26,069
Total	1,127,306	669,331	1,335,267	1,811,098	1,122,072
TREASURY—					
Treasury	50,698	51,007	54,413	51,808	52,585
Old-age Pensions—Salaries, etc.	84,535	88,405	92,999	97,761	114,446
Rent, Repairs, etc.	29,426	22,993	13,085	15,305	10,209
Coinage	31,979	16,273	23,836	54,905	45,968
Invalid and Old-age Pensions	5,424,016	6,523,881	6,992,905	8,252,387	9,144,589
Taxation Office	576,424	516,887	463,176	426,425	416,889
Maternity Allowance	688,435	670,175	688,205	680,855	660,280
Miscellaneous	295,272	144,859	77,666	60,963	58,466
Total	7,180,785	8,034,480	8,406,285	9,640,409	10,503,432
POSTMASTER-GENERAL—					
Chief Office	37,800	46,685	48,643	51,660	66,504
Posts, Telegraphs, and Telephones	7,556,391	8,121,381	8,950,694	8,705,960	9,115,787
Audit (proportion)	10,293	10,663	10,630	10,009	10,359
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	91,805	121,435	141,615	161,654	185,992
Rent, Repairs, etc.	123,405	138,092	174.012	195,464	199,119
Interest and Sinking Fund	349,107	749,638	962,446	1,526,795	1,704,570
Miscellaneous	73,224	85,600	398	383	3,568
Total	8,242,025	9,273,494	10,288,438	10,651,925	11,285,899

(*a*) Includes cost of Census, £62,283 in 1921–22, £22,331 in 1922–23, £12,679 in 1923–24, and £11,999, in 1924–25 (*b*) Transferred to other Departments. (*c*) Previously included in another Department. (*d*) Included in Chief Office.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—*continued*.

Departments, etc.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£
TRADE AND CUSTOMS—					
Chief Office	70,037	72,238	78,159	79,813	82,410
Customs (Ordinary)	439,462	503,150	531,189	551,161	566,223
Analyst	5,829	6,039	5,854	(*c*)	(*c*)
Fisheries	138	22	39	244	..
Audit (proportion)	9,371	10,970	10,552	11,030	12,487
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	20,528	25,863	33,283	34,091	35,145
Rent, Repairs, etc.	21,445	22,616	32,191	26,148	19,102
Bounties	192,114	455,859	304,548	498,582	781,347
Lighthouses	162,946	169,045	184,298	199,057	230,439
Loans for Purchase of Wire Netting	250,000	..	..	..	..
Fruit Pools—Loans and Advances	863,000	14,940	(*a*)	(*a*)	(*a*)
Navigation	25,426	39,927	44,484	44,726	44,872
Miscellaneous	183,513	307,149	73,678	97,012	105,399
Total	2,243,809	1,627,818	1,298,275	1,541,864	1,877,424
DEFENCE—					
Chief Office	22,373	23,210	28,795	25,515	27,109
Military	1,208,005	1,289,171	1,269,799	1,307,815	1,299,454
Audit (proportion)	10,780	12,236	6,862	6,162	7,052
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	1,661	3,608	5,868	11,698	13,568
Rent, Repairs, etc.	61,114	70,521	76,917	61,488	64,898
Miscellaneous	177,821	146,709	163,226	174,871	181,227
Total	1,481,754	1,545,455	1,551,467	1,587,549	1,593,308
NAVY OFFICE—					
Chief Office	67,359	73,435	74,643	78,398	82,366
Naval	1,942,227	1,916,384	1,842,937	1,943,911	2,003,639
Audit (proportion)	3,594	4,933	2,612	2,463	2,381
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	1,539	1,747	1,698	2,186	1,653
Rent, Repairs, etc.	31,780	37,350	36,365	50,451	54,720
Miscellaneous	77,992	50,570	58,149	58,705	67,956
Total	2,124,491	2,084,419	2,016,404	2,136,114	2,212,715
AIR SERVICES—					
Pay, Contingencies, etc.	130,967	165,119	164,016	206,637	324,017
Development of Civil Aviation	38,236	46,859	40,986	48,245	57,965
Rent, Repairs, etc.	9,799	5,675	9,431	16,044	35,849
Miscellaneous	335	5,004	2,111	10,238	16,974
Total	179,337	222,657	216,544	281,164	434,805
HEALTH—					
Central Administration	8,486	9,898	12,432	13,543	18,488
Salaries and Contingencies	114,429	106,298	116,291	121,588	142,447
Rent, Repairs, etc.	15,278	15,292	12,697	20,670	27,404
Miscellaneous	17,719	36,429	46,379	20,871	18,340
Total	155,912	167,917	187,799	176,672	206,679
MARKETS AND MIGRATION—					
Salaries and Contingencies	..	..	1,529	9,989	12,871
Immigration	..	..	63,058	93,588	(*a*)
Scientific and Industrial Research	..	..	24,796	382,564	(*a*)
Fruit Pool Losses	..	..	154,000	..	(*a*)
Assistance to Primary Production	..	..	500,000	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	..	126,334	199,573	104,520
Total	*b*	*b*	869,717	685,714	117,391
ALL OTHER EXPENDITURE—					
New Works, etc.	720,927	629,510	343,916	316,941	216,447
Payments to States	7,185,551	7,324,538	7,535,291	7,951,727	8,262,912
Miscellaneous	886,251	945,850	1,216,253	2,084,757	2,623,852
Debt Redemption	..	4,915,755	1,500,000	1,000,000	..
Special Defence Provision	..	..	988,139	3,742,745	996,729
Federal Aid Roads	..	..	..	..	2,000,000
Total	8,792,729	13,815,653	11,583,599	15,096,170	14,099,940
War Services	30,100,472	28,770,106	28,482,761	29,171,850	29,209,083
Grand Total	63,700,485	68,354,624	68,336,432	75,109,438	75,532,638

(*a*) Transferred to other Departments.
(*b*) Previously included in other Departments.
(*c*) Included in Chief Office and Customs (Ordinary).

SUMMARY OF COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE AND FROM LOAN FUNDS, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Heading.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.
EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE—	£	£	£	£	£
Ordinary Services—					
Interest on Transferred Properties	24,307,285	25,768,865	28,258,211	33,834,163	33,220,344
Interest on Loans					
Sinking Funds					
Other Ordinary Expenditure ..	720,927	629,510	343,916	316,941	216,447
New Works, etc.	7,100,551	7,239,538	7,388,635	7,530,615	7,672,119
Payment to States (Surplus Revenue Act)	85,000	85,000	146,656	421,112	590,793
Special Payment to States ..	886,250	945,850	1,216,253	2,084,757	2,623,852
Interest, State Loans ..	500,000	..	500,000	750,000	2,000,000
Main Roads Development ..	..	..	500,000	..	..
Assistance to Primary Production	..	4,915,755	1,500,000	1,000,000	..
Debt Redemption	33,600,013	39,584,518	39,853,671	45,937,588	46,323,555
War Services—					
Interest on Amount due to Imperial Government for Maintenance of Australian Troops	20,985,547	20,863,112	a20,258,230	20,698,133	20,495,082
Interest on Loans					
Sinking Fund					
Pensions	7,134,967	7,169,285	7,178,226	7,343,666	7,477,096
Repatriation	1,692,171	464,689	800,653	801,220	910,476
Other Services	287,787	273,020	245,652	328,831	326,429
	30,100,472	28,770,106	a28,482,761	29,171,850	29,209,083
Total Expenditure from Revenue ..	**63,700,485**	**68,354,624**	**68,336,432**	**75,109,438**	**75,532,638**
EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS—					
Ordinary Purposes—					
New Works, etc.	5,383,949	6,060,048	6,341,758	7,678,856	7,051,128
War Purposes	1,762,694	2,412,015	975,612	324,224	697,289
Loans to States ..	..	872,673	14,429,972	14,105,890	9,991,019
Loans to Federal Capital Commission	..	..	..	..	1,911,657
Repayment to Commonwealth Bank, London	..	6,114,000	1,710,000	4,285,000	1,582,000
Total Expenditure from Loans ..	**7,146,643**	**15,458,736**	**23,457,342**	**26,393,970**	**21,233,093**
Total Expenditure for Ordinary Services and Purposes	**38,983,962**	**52,631,239**	**62,335,401**	**72,007,334**	**66,859,359**
Total Expenditure for War Purposes	**31,863,166**	**31,182,121**	**29,458,373**	**29,496,074**	**29,906,372**
Total Commonwealth Expenditure ..	**70,847,128**	**83,813,360**	**91,793,774**	**101,503,408**	**96,765,731**

(a) Excluding Debt Redemption, £1,500,000 stated above.

COMMONWEALTH LOAN EXPENDITURE, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Heading.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27
	£	£	£	£	£
Prime Minister's Department—					
Subscription to Capital of Refinery Company—Oil Agreement Act 1920	50,000	100,000	68,750	..	..
London Offices	6,921	4,396	1,583	500	..
Shipbuilding Yards	7,218	419	..	..	..
Construction of Ships	1,815,713	626,646	162,953	..	..
Construction of Roads	217,944	31,788	..	*Cr.* 46	..
Immigration—Passage Money of Assisted Immigrants	199,483	203,744	206,193	262,589	248,104
Department of Home and Territories—					
Federal Capital—Initial Settlement and Works	78,438				
Federal Capital—Acquisition of Land	1,475	499,349	296,062	*Cr.* 165	..
Federal Capital—Towards establishment	274,128				
Solar Observatory	..	1,362	6,830	14,804	*Cr.* 20,784
Purchased Properties	..	..	5,000	798	..
Acquisition of Land at Fairy Meadow	1,992	3,030	19,195	3	*Cr.* 3
Papua—Loan	47,720	..	2,000	2,000	9,496
Department of Defence, Military—					
Purchase of Land for Defence purposes generally	1,735	833	4,300	2,957	12,978
Arsenal, Factories, Stores ..	27,525	109,869	240,872	136,484	111,258
Air Services	17,705	21,203	6,105	133,113	145,880
Navy—					
Construction of Fleet	..	..	..	..	..
Dockyard, Naval Bases, &c. ..	43,566	30,418	24,802	9,190	151,016
Department of Trade and Customs—					
Vessels for Lighthouse purposes ..	..	54,680	150,177	53,548	2,609
Purchase of Sites for Lighthouses ..	8,225	..	..	..	..
Lighthouses	2,175	29,457	18,266	13,811	22,318
Department of Works and Railways—					
Commonwealth Offices	1,243	14,357	19,395	12,313	566
Railway—Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta	82,500	62,506	52,113	69,565	88,198
Grafton-South Brisbane Railway ..	..	..	..	840,000	1,000,000
Contribution under River Murray Waters Act	176,921	235,609	192,500	205,000	209,500
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Post Office Buildings	144,341	375,673	511,956	439,656	267,805
Land for Post and Telegraph purposes	138,875	47,348	41,330	33,179	49,901
Telegraphs and Telephones ..	2,005,421	3,480,000	3,985,706	5,070,358	3,627,619
Subscription to Capital of Amalgamated Wireless Ltd.	..	62,500	62,500	75,000	50,000
Northern Territory —					
Railway—Darwin to Katherine River	7,651	20,420	50,535	195,123	398,764
Railway—Port Augusta to Oodnadatta	12,997	33,355	211,074	91,490	399,885
Health and Laboratories	12,039	11,086	3,561	17,582	4,788
Department of Markets and Migration—					
Purchase of Wire Netting ..	..	..	..	..	250,000
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	4	21,230
Total Ordinary Loans Expenditure	5,383,949	6,060,048	6,341,758	7,678,856	7,051,128
Total War Loans Expenditure	1,762,694	2,412,015	975,612	324,224	697,289
Loans for Federal Capital Commission	..	..	..	..	1,911,657
Loans to States—For works and other purposes					
New South Wales	..	..	2,912,234	..	..
Victoria	..	..	3,117,602	5,298,634	2,250,590
Queensland	..	..	1,342,879	2,518,013	2,187,530
South Australia	..	..	5,212,412	3,512,038	2,623,861
Western Australia	..	..	1,451,128	2,312,488	1,147,444
Tasmania	..	..	393,717	364,717	215,076
For Development and Migration ..	..	..	..	*a*100,000	*a*1,566,518
	b ..	872,673*a*	*f*14,429,972	*c*14,105,890	*d*9,991,019
Total Payments from Loan Funds	7,146,643	*e*9,344,736	*e*21,747,342	*e*22,108,970	*e*19,651,093

(*a*) The allocation of this amount amongst the various States is not available.
(*b*) £335,000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.
(*c*) In addition, £1,500 000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.
(*d*) In addition £790,000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.
(*e*) Exclusive of Repayment of advances from Commonwealth Bank.
(*f*) In addition £100,000 was advanced to States pending the raising of a loan.

LOANS AND ADVANCES BY THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES AT 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

State.	Under Loans to States Acts.	Advances for Settling Returned Soldiers on the Land.	Other Advances and Loans.	Total.	Less Contributions to National Debt Sinking Fund and Accrued Interest.	Net Amount.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,981,850	9,805,983	1,296,243	14,084,076	57,225	14,026,851
Victoria	16,624,786	11,794,075	1,221,030	29,639,891	64,595	29,575,296
Queensland	17,288,201	2,700,583	836,033	20,824,817	37,244	20,787,573
South Australia ..	19,962,993	2,833,005	271,128	23,067,126	85,034	22,982,092
Western Australia ..	10,881,448	5,431,202	2,956,209	19,268,859	57,210	19,211,649
Tasmania	2,914,640	2,129,563	25,000	5,069,203	4,394	5,064,809
Total	70,653,918	34,694,411	6,605,643	111,953,972	305,702	111,648,270

NOTE.—In addition to the amounts shown above, further sums are on loan to the various States from the Australian Notes Fund which is now controlled by the Commonwealth Bank. On the 30th June, 1927, these amounts were: New South Wales, £2,400,000; Victoria, £2,532,000; Queensland, £1,490,000; South Australia, £1,926,000; Western Australia, £3,025,000; Tasmania, £885,000.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT, 31st DECEMBER, 1927.(a)

Items.	Public Debt.	Annual Interest Payable.
War Debt—	£	£
Inscribed Stock and Bonds	232,845,904	12,744,571
Treasury Bills	956,340	38,254
Peace Savings Certificates	384,330	19,217
War Savings Certificates	271,553	13,578
War Gratuity Bonds (Overdue)	23,523	..
War Savings Stamps	15,315	..
Registered Stock	10,000,000	600,000
Debt to British Government	84,902,390	4,174,367
Total	329,399,355	17,589,987
Deduct Loans raised for States	35,848,068	2,229,073
Total War Debt	293,551,287	15,360,914
Works and other Purposes, Including Loans raised for States and Federal Capital Commission—		
Treasury Bills	4,172,000	169,224
Inscribed Stock	40,012,836	2,151,434
Registered Stock	69,408,000	3,505,400
Government Bonds	23,540,121	1,177,006
South Australian Debt transferred—		
On Account of Northern Territory	1,112,974	41,603
On Account of Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway ..	977,383	37,100
Properties transferred from States	11,035,547	551,777
Loans to States made from War Loans	35,848,068	2,229,073
Total, Works and Other Purposes	186,106,929	9,862,617
Total Public Debt	479,658,216	25,223,531

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	£	£
Redeemable in Australia	290,138,582	15,700,298
,, London	165,979,513	8,346,227
,, New York	23,540,121	1,177,006
	479,658,216	25,223,531

(a) At 31st December, 1927, the amount due to the Commonwealth by the State Governments and other Administrations was £124,214,178.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.—LONDON, NEW YORK, AND AUSTRALIAN FLOTATIONS, 1923 to 1927.

Year ended 30th June—	Payable in—				Total.
	London.	New York.	Australia.		
			Loans.	Transferred Properties.	
	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	126,165,389	..	273,787,939	11,042,988	410,996,316
1924 ..	142,524,394	..	262,215,114	10,860,591	415,600,099
1925 ..	146,117,022	..	273,972,477	10,858,093	430,947,592
1926 ..	155,883,499	15,411,487	276,083,523	11,065,129	458,443,638
1927 ..	152,853,126	15,365,663	281,813,405	11,035,548	461,067,742
31/12/26 ..	155,194,832	15,411,487	279,853,677	11,054,638	461,514,634
31/12/27 ..	165,979,513	23,540,121	279,103,035	11,035,547	479,658,216

COMMONWEALTH AND STATES PUBLIC DEBT, 1923 to 1927.

At 30th June—	Public Debt of Commonwealth.	Public Debt of States.	Total.	Deduction for Debts Counted Twice.	Net Public Debt of Australia.	Net Public Debt per Capita.
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.
1923 ..	410,996,316	550,878,641	961,874,957	56,390,011	905,484,946	159 3 9
1924 ..	415,600,099	592,202,037	1,007,802,136	55,953,000	951,849,136	164 0 3
1925 ..	430,948,062	603,334,254	1,034,282,316	71,135,472	963,146,844	162 8 10
1926 ..	458,443,351	641,334,761	1,099,778,112	87,531,051	1,012,247,061	167 9 8
1927 ..	461,067,742	679,223,572	1,140,291,314	96,559,393	1,043,731,921	169 4 8

AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND THE PUBLIC, 1922 to 1928.

Average during—	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.
	£	£	£
1922	30,463,488	22,832,414	53,295,902
1923	29,281,640	22,864,896	52,146,536
1924	32,113,563	23,763,249	55,876,812
1925	31,066,290	24,073,936	55,140,226
1926	26,993,291	25,146,935	52,140,226
1927	22,749,054	25,230,779	47,979,833
1928—30th January	21,776,765	26,116,461	47,893,226
27th February	20,345,399	25,522,827	45,868,226
26th March	19,385,521	25,982,705	45,368,226

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AS AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	29th Dec., 1924.	28th Dec., 1925.	27th Dec., 1926.	26th Dec., 1927.	26th March, 1928.
	£	£	£	£	£
10/	3,018,256	3,132,850	3,265,890	3,386,413	3,055,958
£1	17,592,460	18,051,466	18,546,126	19,091,628	17,052,033
£5	11,854,100	12,414,160	13,060,350	13,332,385	11,427,615
£10	3,994,080	4,207,540	4,241,820	4,305,520	3,815,260
£20	468,680	480,560	456,540	453,180	413,960
£50	1,185,850	1,276,950	1,200,500	1,165,600	1,082,600
£100	1,513,800	1,713,700	1,654,000	1,820,500	1,651,800
£1,000	17,263,000	12,613,000	7,465,000	8,238,000	6,869,000
Total	56,890,226	53,890,226	49,890,226	51,793,226	45,368,226
Gold Reserve	24,904,975	26,269,417	21,982,065	21,600,553	21,851,086
Per cent. of Reserve ..	43.78	48.75	44.06	41.71	48.16

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1927.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth commenced to pay Old-age Pensions on 1.7.1909, and Invalid Pensions on 15.12.1910.

State	Number of Pensioners as at 30.6.27.			Number per 10,000 of Population.(a)		Average Fortnightly Pension as at 30.6.27.		Aggregate Annual Rate of Payment. (approximate).	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Invalid.	Old-age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per head of Pop.
						s. d.	s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales ..	51,530	21,645	73,175	219	92	38 3	39 4	3,668,652	31 0
Victoria	38,702	15,327	54,029	226	90	38 5	39 0	2,711,748	31 5
Queensland ..	17,236	7,357	24,593	195	83	38 4	39 2	1,233,388	27 7
South Australia ..	11,537	3,129	14,666	202	55	37 11	38 10	727,142	25 6
Western Australia ..	7,326	2,699	10,025	193	71	38 2	39 1	500,994	26 0
Tasmania	6,903	2,242	9,145	321	104	37 10	38 11	452,842	43 6
Total ..	133,234	52,399	185 633	218	86	38 3	39 2	9,294,766	30 2

(a) Population taken as at 31st December, 1926.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1927.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.		
	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependents of Deceased Soldiers.	Dependents of Incapacitated Soldiers.	Total.	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Soldiers.	All Pensions.
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	24,576	10,939	46,830	82,345	2 0 5	0 16 5	1 3 7
Victoria	23,514	12,276	50,690	86,480	1 11 11	0 14 3	0 19 1
Queensland ..	7,854	3,551	15,059	26,464	1 15 6	0 18 0	1 3 2
South Australia ..	4,282	3,460	8,847	16,589	1 17 6	0 18 9	1 3 7
Western Australia ..	7,479	3,519	15,691	26,689	1 17 9	0 15 5	1 1 8
Tasmania ..	2,836	1,577	6,720	11,133	1 18 4	0 15 4	1 1 2
London	1,555	4,248	3,379	9,182	2 1 6	1 2 11	1 6 1
South Africa ..	50	41	62	153	1 16 5	1 2 0	1 6 9
New Zealand ..	218	246	268	732	1 13 3	1 1 3	1 4 10
Elsewhere ..	24	8	22	54	1 4 7	1 0 8	1 2 5
Total ..	72,388	39,865	147,568	259,821	1 16 7	1 16 1	1 1 10

WAR PENSIONS EXPENDITURE, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Place of Payment.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,418,636	2,443,149	2,456,746	2,551,661	2,596,130
Victoria	2,174,189	2,094,248	2,090,242	2,130,993	2,181,219
Queensland	784,744	767,560	782,894	774,267	810,368
South Australia ..	437,848	446,951	465,892	488,615	502,846
Western Australia ..	714,874	714,805	719,612	760,613	767,697
Tasmania	294,638	292,688	295,034	297,683	309,107
Elsewhere	310,038	331,414	336,444	343,413	391,192
Total ..	7,134,967	7,090,815	7,146,864	7,347,245	7,558,559

NOTE.—The annual liability for War Pensions as at 30th June, 1927, was approximately £7,372,768.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912, and from that date until 30th June, 1927, the following Claims, each for £5, were passed for payment :—

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tas-mania.	N.T.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1923	55,677	36,260	19,949	11,874	8,047	5,836	44	137,687
1924	53,710	35,721	19,580	11,540	7,959	5,495	30	134,035
1925	54,730	36,971	20,250	11,894	8,265	5,506	25	137,641
1926	54,690	36,025	20,260	11,495	8,496	5,171	34	136,171
1927	53,064	35,202	19,300	11,336	8,200	4,917	37	132,056
Total since 10.10.12 ..	774,473	514,346	288,752	172,813	119,948	81,731	577	1,952,640

FEDERAL INCOME TAX, 1926-27.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
Individuals—		£	£ s. d.	
Under £201	122,012	198,797	1 12 7	2.2
£201 to £500	49,102	339,200	6 18 2	3.7
£501 to £1,000	23,717	480,113	20 4 10	5.2
£1,001 and over	26,658	5,426,182	203 11 0	59.2
Total	221,489	6,444,292	29 1 11	70.3
Companies	7,388	2,718,818	368 0 1	29.7
TOTAL ALL INCOMES ..	228,877	9,163,110	40 0 8	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1925-26. Subject to revision.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1920-21 to 1924-25.

Heading.	1920–21.	1921–22.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—					
Resident Owners	15,603	15,964	16,556	16,906	18,173
Absentee Owners	3,425	3,409	3,349	3,162	3,142
TOTAL	19,028	19,373	19,905	20,068	21,315
	£	£	£	£	£
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—					
Resident	183,964,004	186,216,959	192,165,733	185,040,682	207,328,796
Absentee	3,417,623	3,108,595	3,082,486	2,572,221	2,554,456
TOTAL	187,381,627	189,325,554	195,248,219	187,612,903	209,883,252
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	209,728,050	214,024,885	222,285,109	216,540,904	238,007,004
Absentee	3,903,708	3,575,891	2,965,962	2,919,668	2,978,754
TOTAL	213,631,758	217,600,776	225,251,071	219,460,572	240,985,758
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	1,028,076	1,112,133	973,748	1,020,109	1,256,299
Absentee Owners ..	36,405	36,286	14,947	22,493	22,819
TOTAL	1,064,481	1,148,419	988,695	1,042,602	1,279,118
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	1,449,189	1,387,423	1,144,899	987,073	978,581
Absentee Owners ..	17,171	12,594	14,267	12,199	10,945
TOTAL	1,466,360	1,400,017	1,159,166	999,272	989,526
All Land—Resident Owners ..	2,477,265	2,499,556	2,118,647	2,007,182	2,234,880
Absentee Owners ..	53,576	48,880	29,214	34,692	33,764
TOTAL	2,530,841	2,548,436	2,147,861	2,041,874	2,268,644
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED acs.	367,748,186	335,935,795	321,916,168	*a* 62,973,820	*a* 61,951,199
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	0.9570*d.*	1.0002*d.*	0.8642*d.*	3.8083*d.*	3.8334*d.*

(*a*) Exclusive of Crown Leaseholds.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX, 1922-23 to 1926-27.

Year ended 30th June—	Tax Assessed.	Fine Accrued.	Tax Received.	Fine Received.	Tax and Fine Outstanding.
	£	£	£	£	£
1923	2,284,878	2,517	2,190,706	1,887	94,802
1924	2,046,745	1,092	2,029,903	1,067	16,867
1925	2,267,268	1,376	2,227,131	1,260	40,253
1926	2,204,792	1,220	2,161,514	1,149	43,349
1927	2,218,311	854	2,126,777	206	92,182

State Finance.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES.

REVENUE, 1926-27

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation	11,930,050	6,411,936	4,502,340	2,798,292	1,211,343	1,229,823	28,083,784
Railways and Tramways	22,980,486	13,373,119	7,349,501	4,094,133	3,869,301	542,165	52,208,705
Land	2,214,012	410,278	1,427,677	297,131	550,912	75,671	4,975,681
Commonwealth Subsidy	2,917,411	2,127,159	1,095,338	703,816	1,126,544	644,859	8,615,127
All other Sources ..	4,107,607	4,806,208	1,772,931	2,891,525	2,992,733	547,702	17,118,706
Total Revenue ..	44,149,566	27,128,700	16,147,787	10,784,897	9,750,833	3,040,220	111,002,003
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Revenue per head	18 16 2	15 16 11	18 6 1	19 0 10	25 14 11	14 3 2	18 3 10

REVENUE, 1923 TO 1927.

Year ended 30th June—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923	36,145,944	21,634,677	12,599,403	8,431,700	7,207,492	2,174,062	88,193,278
1924	37,351,809	23,075,968	13,428,039	8,932,340	7,865,595	2,447,677	93,101,428
1925	38,822,588	24,304,887	14,897,256	9,733,038	8,381,446	2,762,013	98,901,228
1926	38,540,031	25,269,756	15,599,718	10,474,094	8,808,166	2,726,482	101,418,247
1927	44,149,566	27,128,700	16,147,787	10,784,897	9,750,833	3,040,220	111,002,003

EXPENDITURE, 1926-27.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	8,719,314	7,516,575	4,831,250	4,034,471	3,301,878	1,164,916	29,568,404
Railways and Tramways (exclusive of Construction) ..	17,715,126	10,234,301	6,493,329	3,871,089	2,921,235	555,641	41,790,721
All other Expenditure	16,256,194	9,994,027	5,166,375	3,929,387	3,499,475	1,134,520	39,979,978
Total Expenditure	42,690,634	27,744,903	16,490,954	11,834,947	9,722,588	2,855,077	111,339,103
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Expenditure per head ..	18 3 8	16 4 2	18 13 10	20 17 11	25 13 5	13 5 11	18 4 11

EXPENDITURE, 1923 TO 1927.

Year ended 30th June—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923	35,342,436	21,611,309	12,784,382	8,426,517	7,612,856	2,472,523	88,250,023
1924	37,251,419	23,050,968	13,415,332	8,985,599	8,094,753	2,658,382	93,456,453
1925	39,579,058	24,170,483	14,880,288	9,680,037	8,439,844	2,675,618	99,425,328
1926	39,814,335	25,559,583	16,154,404	10,460,943	8,907,308	2,698,262	103,594,835
1927	42,690,634	27,744,903	16,490,954	11,834,947	9,722,588	2,855,077	111,339,103

STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1926-27

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Railways and Tramways	6,380,610	1,821,005	2,470,083	2,460,555	674,669	29,824	13,836,746
Water Supply, etc. ..	1,105,618	1,541,900	288,382	1,253,390	441,845	..	4,631,135
Harbours, Rivers, etc. ..	474,556	..	64,340	398,981	191,187	} 225,137	4,936,649
Roads and Bridges ..	1,726,420	1,104,345	91,171	475,601	184,911		
Land Purchased for Settlement, and Advances ..	460,213	1,867,763	95,207	*Cr.*107,553	1,690,368	*Cr.*169,426	3,836,572
Public Buildings ..	472,969	407,876	196,984	342,707	117,483	50,291	1,588,310
All other	*Cr.*198,116	2,534,291	392,790	4,118,337	812,591	193,872	7,853,765
Total	10,422,270	9,277,180	3,598,957	8,942,018	4,113,054	329,698	36,683,177
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Loan Expenditure per head	4 8 9	5 8 5	4 1 7	15 15 9	10 17 2	1 10 8	6 0 3

TOTAL STATE LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1927.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)	£ (1,000)
Railways and Tramways	127,563	69,456	58,342	28,728	21,783	6,922	312,794
Telegraphs and Telephones	1,762	..	..	..	332	143	2,237
Water Supply, etc. ..	44,850	22,195	6,807	18,659	7,818	..	100,329
Harbours, Rivers, etc. ..	20,475	1,263	3,181	6,731	4,874	} 6,129	63,475
Roads and Bridges ..	6,045	8,947	1,840	3,078	912		
Public Buildings ..	8,925	4,917	3,403	2,424	1,292	1,601	22,562
Land Purchased for Settlement, and Advances ..	8,028	33,767	2,979	16,745	15,725	3,228	80,472
Defence	1,458	149	363	..	..	128	2,098
All other	10,922	19,506	18,944	8,969	12,350	6,648	77,339
Total	230,028	160,200	95,859	85,334	65,086	24,799	661,306

GROSS STATE PUBLIC DEBTS, 1923 to 1927.

Year ended June 30—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	(*a*) Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	197,936,092	118,562,029	88,005,001	65,451,873	58,485,555	22,438,091	550,878,641
1924 ..	224,179,515	120,946,326	90,560,900	70,016,829	62,765,782	23,732,685	592,202,037
1925 ..	215,331,110	128,445,565	96,389,067	74,780,835	64,493,261	23,894,416	603,334,254
1926 ..	223,504,771	138,754,989	102,316,866	81,473,624	70,806,921	24,477,590	641,334,761
1927 ..	240,781,363	146,404,530	105,734,916	90,284,162	71,501,913	24,516,688	679,223,572

(*a*) Including a sum of £5,936,916 (reduced to £4,044,734 at 30th June, 1927), representing transactions connected with the transfer of the State Savings Bank to the Commonwealth Savings Bank in 1920 and which did not represent additional borrowing.

NET STATE PUBLIC DEBT AS ON 30th JUNE, 1927.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland. (*a*)	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Floated Abroad ..	154,941,841	54,729,137	65,930,133	36,712,220	49,309,312	13,290,550	374,913,193
Floated in Australia	85,839,522	91,675,393	39,804,783	53,571,942	22,192,601	11,226,138	304,310,379
Total Gross Debt ..	240,781,363	146,404,530	105,734,916	90,284,162	71,501,913	24,516,688	679,223,572
Sinking Funds ..	564,857	5,591,726	1,721,422	1,744,010	8,908,806	1,319,874	19,850,695
Total Net Debt ..	240,216,506	140,812,804	104,013,494	88,540,152	62,593,107	23,196,814	659,372,877
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Net Debt per head	101 6 7	81 11 3	116 5 9	155 1 9	162 11 3	111 8 7	107 2 4

(*a*) See note (*a*) to Table above.

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AMOUNTS AT THE VARIOUS RATES OF INTEREST AT 30th JUNE, 1923 to 1927.

Rate of Interest.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
7½	144	144	..	..	..
7¼	5,791	5,891	5,829	5,808	5,808
7	2,466	2,466	2,466	2,466	2,466
£6 15s. 2d.	2,370	2,370	2,370	2,352	2,352
£6 14s.	..	519	611	594	586
6½	16,307	16,317	16,287	16,285	16,238
£6 7s.	16,210	16,210	16,210	16,167	16,167
6¼	5,696	266	165	117	..
£6 3s. 6d.	..	..	502	502	..
£6 2s. 2d.	..	..	362	362	362
£6 1s. 3d.	..	..	386	386	386
6	29,808	33,475	54,977	56,923	56,288
5¾	32,539	30,678	28,165	27,424	20,612
£5 13s. 2d.	29	29	29	29	29
5½	66,574	80,311	92,709	112,527	101,586
5⅜	..	..	..	200	200
£5 6s. 11d.	8,357	8,357	8,357	8,347	8,347
£5 5s. 3d.	2,981	2,473	2,473	2,473	2,473
5¼	24,082	16,230	15,967	30,849	76,080
5⅛	..	..	..	..	140
5	38,526	91,633	111,694	137,151	157,447
4⅞	1,050	350	100	200	200
4¾	2,406	1,336	6,586	6,836	8,036
£4 14s. 5d.	18,000	18,106	18,238	..	..
4½	38,823	44,921	31,459	32,459	26,645
4¼	874	874	778	178	141
4⅛	..	..	..	..	..
4	77,445	69,732	60,868	60,560	60,027
3¾	11,584	10,028	9,787	9,053	8,551
3½	102,812	93,082	70,393	63,930	63,291
3¼	..	..	..	..	..
3	46,005	46,404	45,566	44,677	42,175
1	..	..	..	2,480	2,591
Total	550,879	592,202	603,334	641,335	679,224
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Average Rate ..	4 13 0	4 14 4	4 16 11	4 17 10	4 18 2

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS (GROSS) PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1923 to 1927.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	90.273	73.752	109.237	125.788	168.004	104.957	96.968
1924 ..	100.514	73.761	109.439	132.391	174.179	111.317	102.176
1925 ..	94.778	76.874	112.708	137.687	175.241	112.760	101.905
1926 ..	96.432	81.887	116.349	145.885	188.739	116.906	106.276
1927 ..	101.569	84.801	118.213	158.143	185.699	117.767	110.342

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ACCRUED SINKING FUNDS, 1923 to 1927.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	441,844	2,993,432	689,488	1,779,951	8,781,051	1,068,433	15,754,199
1924 ..	429,211	3,560,225	940,244	2,496,931	9,373,572	1,108,621	17,908,804
1925 ..	578,184	4,084,796	1,107,554	1,270,118	10,183,347	1,406,952	18,630,951
1926 ..	733,774	4,797,135	1,407,790	1,467,530	10,654,493	1,585,574	20,646,296
1927 ..	564,857	5,591,726	1,721,422	1,744,010	8,908,806	1,319,874	19,850,695

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INTEREST PAYABLE, 1923 to 1927.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	9,418,959	5,574,693	3,860,045	3,124,937	2,557,748	1,091,975	25,628,357
1924 ..	10,783,185	5,740,532	4,023,575	3,393,218	2,820,425	1,161,066	27,922,001
1925 ..	10,639,953	6,182,420	4,617,534	3,710,512	2,922,254	1,171,177	29,243,850
1926 ..	11,138,065	6,805,684	4,919,092	4,103,915	3,199,753	1,206,762	31,373,271
1927 ..	12,072,138	7,190,263	5,076,442	4,538,057	3,271,669	1,203,045	33,351,614

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE, 1923 to 1927.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1923 ..	4.758	4.702	4.386	4.774	4.373	4.867	4.652
1924 ..	4.810	4.746	4.443	4.846	4.494	4.892	4.715
1925 ..	4.941	4.813	4.791	4.962	4.531	4.901	4.847
1926 ..	4.983	4.905	4.808	5.037	4.519	4.926	4.892
1927 ..	5.014	4.912	4.801	5.026	4.576	4.907	4.910

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, 1923 to 1927.

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£	£	£	£
1923	32,872,129	17,012,888	18,739,558	68,624,575
1924	35,750,784	15,101,699	20,025,138	70,877,621
1925	37,192,781	15,642,909	21,670,037	74,505,727
1926	39,198,878	15,174,127	23,452,704	77,825,709
1927	43,552,478	15,442,331	28,083,784	87,078,593

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS PER HEAD, 1923 to 1927.

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1923	5 16 8	3 0 5	3 6 7	12 3 7
1924	6 4 5	2 12 6	3 9 9	12 6 7
1925	6 6 8	2 13 3	3 13 10	12 13 8
1926	6 10 10	2 10 8	3 18 4	12 19 9
1927	7 2 7	2 10 7	4 12 1	14 5 0

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS

AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA, 1923 TO 1927.

Quarter ended 30th June—	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total.(a)	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	207,228	2,483,725	3,754,260	126,656,935	184,664,568	311,321,503	317,766,716
1924 ..	204,830	2,652,247	4,066,234	129,388,510	178,446,400	307,829,910	314,753,221
1925 ..	202,875	2,850,641	7,179,781	131,943,724	189,650,356	321,594,080	331,827,377
1926 ..	201,551	3,147,320	9,595,524	134,770,643	203,543,573	338,314,216	351,258,611
1927 ..	200,943	2,990,674	10,781,025	130,529,454	212,546,054	343,075,508	357,048,150
31/12/26..	201,219	3,106,052	10,157,573	123,347,670	211,059,102	334,406,772	347,871,616
31/12/27..	200,584	3,947,029	13,791,909	123,248,480	227,079,182	350,327,662	368,267,274

(a) Includes ordinary and Savings Bank deposits in the Commonwealth Bank.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA, 1923 TO 1927.

Quarter ended 30th June. (a)	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Land and Other Property.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	All other Debts due to the Banks.(b)	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1923 ..	21,353,880	568,401	28,787,887	6,484,140	7,059,235	8,162,423	255,042,530	327,458,496
1924 ..	21,574,331	577,542	32,029,193	6,975,048	3,004,022	9,773,519	261,518,767	335,452,422
1925 ..	27,243,394	4,486,930	37,212,490	7,201,170	3,106,918	7,250,671	261,340,527	347,842,100
1926 ..	32,403,716	284,265	34,854,599	7,380,422	3,275,853	6,769,501	285,875,650	370,844,006
1927 ..	27,278,507	196,755	29,648,371	7,404,669	4,319,960	5,293,257	321,204,579	395,346,098
31/12/26..	27,900,984	195,628	30,525,440	7,421,361	3,251,528	5,947,960	316,272,949	391,515,850
31/12/27..	26,670,847	264,196	33,559,365	7,722,932	4,553,444	5,142,108	342,227,310	420,140,202

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank. (b) Including Government and municipal securities.

SAVINGS BANKS, 1923 to 1927.(a)

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Total.
NUMBER OF ACCOUNTS OPEN.								
1922–23 ..	1,246,191	1,188,437	355,902	432,438	250,214	124,850	869	3,598,901
1923–24 ..	1,306,948	1,268,629	375,025	452,342	264,842	130,032	844	3,798,662
1924–25 ..	1,374,976	1,337,093	397,710	470,599	278,071	132,841	911	3,992,201
1925–26 ..	1,446,432	1,396,438	420,908	489,148	292,353	136,309	978	4,182,566
1926–27 ..	1,606,492	1,455,581	438,282	512,332	309,546	138,474	1,197	4,461,904
31/12/26..	1,548,575	1,420,515	429,989	498,609	299,228	b136,807	1,050	4,334,773
31/12/27..	1,645,239	1,478,064	448,345	520,131	317,217	b142,010	1,410	4,552,416
AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1922–23 ..	64,324,670	56,101,260	20,483,581	18,249,540	8,033,419	4,414,653	36,689	171,643,812
1923–24 ..	66,162,055	58,028,190	20,410,364	19,351,127	8,218,147	4,670,804	30,790	176,871,477
1924–25 ..	69,149,433	59,551,895	21,339,901	20,152,175	8,303,933	4,505,476	32,961	183,035,774
1925–26 ..	73,807,650	63,253,525	22,836,909	21,778,970	8,969,824	4,768,085	36,577	195,451,540
1926–27 ..	78,351,733	65,352,618	22,452,749	23,600,897	9,694,396	5,073,544	48,025	204,573,963
31/12/26..	73,995,696	62,418,479	22,566,191	21,618,898	9,003,130	b4,718,684	39,528	194,360,606
31/12/27..	78,185,673	65,060,120	22,651,691	23,830,639	9,918,113	b5,149,798	77,423	204,873,457

AVERAGE PER ACCOUNT.

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1922–23..	51 12 4	47 4 1	57 11 1	42 4 0	32 2 1	35 7 2	42 4 5	47 13 10
1923–24..	50 12 6	45 14 10	54 8 6	42 15 7	31 0 7	35 18 5	36 9 7	46 11 3
1924–25..	50 5 10	44 10 9	53 13 2	42 16 5	29 17 3	33 18 4	36 3 8	45 16 11
1925–26..	51 0 6	45 5 11	54 5 1	44 10 6	30 13 8	34 19 7	37 8 0	46 14 7
1926–27..	48 15 5	44 17 11	51 4 7	46 1 4	31 6 4	36 12 9	40 2 5	45 17 0
31/12/26	47 15 8	43 18 11	52 9 8	43 7 2	30 1 9	34 9 10	37 12 11	44 16 9
31/12/27	47 10 5	44 0 4	50 10 5	45 16 4	31 5 4	36 5 3	54 4 0	45 0 1
AVERAGE PER INHABITANT.								
1922–23..	29 6 9	34 17 11	25 8 6	35 6 5	23 1 6	20 13 0	10 1 2	30 3 6
1923–24..	29 13 4	35 7 9	24 13 3	36 11 10	22 16 1	21 18 2	8 9 10	30 9 6
1924–25..	30 7 7	35 12 10	24 19 1	37 2 1	22 11 3	21 5 3	8 15 0	30 17 5
1925–26..	31 16 10	37 6 7	25 19 5	38 19 11	23 18 2	22 15 6	9 13 10	32 6 9
1926–27..	33 1 0	37 17 1	25 2 1	41 6 10	25 3 7	23 7 5	11 5 6	33 3 5
31/12/26	31 10 4	36 9 3	25 11 7	38 3 5	23 15 5	21 19 6	10 2 10	31 16 2
31/12/27	32 9 11	37 7 3	25 3 10	41 7 9	25 5 8	23 17 2	17 15 1	32 17 2

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank. (b) To end of February, 1927 and 1928.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK, 1914, 1920, 1927.

State.	30th June, 1914.		30th June, 1920.		1st December, 1927.	
	No. of Accounts.	Amount at Credit.	No. of Accounts.	Amount at Credit.	No. of Accounts.	Amount at Credit.
		£		£		£
New South Wales ..	37,677	1,171,255	186,355	5,506,094	337,830	10,697,145
Victoria	30,371	1,151,823	115,584	4,572,635	171,517	5,811,532
Queensland.. ..	24,202	815,947	88,721	3,058,435	448,345	22,651,691
South Australia ..	7,965	317,135	40,094	1,664,173	63,311	2,408,919
Western Australia ..	10,111	277,956	47,462	1,473,301	86,194	2,766,415
Tasmania	32,392	885,379	53,616	1,407,815	64,967	1,543,463
Northern Territory ..	292	18,709	987	57,106	1,410	77,423
Papua and Territory of New Guinea ..	133	7,064	1,103	53,078	2,234	97,219
London	..	..	5,873	189,765	6,678	351,884
Total ..	143,143	4,645,268	539,795	17,982,402	1,182,486	46,405,691

BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED, 1924 to 1928.

Period.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1924	16,266	14,117	4,081	3,442	1,883	(a) 465
1925	17,483	15,444	3,711	3,290	1,944	491
1926	18,351	15,194	3,764	3,440	1,991	494
1927	19,847	15,835	3,687	3,582	2,137	514
1928—January ..	19,132	12,949	2,795	3,235	2,330	652
February ..	21,282	15,349	4,023	3,760	3,065	563
March ..	21,057	14,830	3,389	3,896	2,421	573

(a) Based on figures for six months ended 29th December, 1924.

Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, and Motor Vehicles.

A. Railways.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1922-23 TO 1926-27.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets.

Heading.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
Government—					
Federal ..	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales	5,318 (371)	5,523 (324)	5,656 (330)	5,742 (331)	5,750 (331)
Victoria ..	4,333 (60)	4,434 (62)	4,484 (59)	4,627 (60)	4,634 (60)
Queensland ..	5,906 (1,275)	6,040 (1,302)	6,114 (1,319)	6,240 (1,336)	6,302 (1,410)
South Australia ..	2,373 (55)	2,452 (50)	2,452 (50)	2,499 (50)	2,528 (56)
Western Australia	3,555 (836)	3,629 (826)	3,733 (854)	3,865 (884)	3,918 (872)
Tasmania ..	663 (233)	673 (235)	673 (231)	673 (399)	658 (404)
Total ..	23,881 (2,830)	24,484 (2,799)	24,845 (2,843)	25,379 (3,060)	25,523 (3,113)
Private—					
For general traffic	1,001	964	961	972	(a)
,, special ,,	1,829	1,835	1,882	2,088	(a)
Grand Total ..	26,711	27,283	27,688	28,439	(b)

(a) Not available. (b) Incomplete.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1922–23 TO 1926–27—*continued.*

CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.

State.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
	£	£	£	£	£
Federal (*a*)	11,384,379	11,499,872	11,767,971	*d*11,965,986	*d* 12,302,795
New South Wales ..	87,713,871	91,792,167	98,060,216	103,674,668	111,226,149
Victoria (*b*) ..	64,615,435	65,880,792	67,136,069	68,888,145	70,298,673
Queensland ..	44,823,991	47,367,439	49,453,595	51,555,649	54,496,012
South Australia (*c*) ..	20,234,003	21,410,602	23,637,283	25,529,866	28,126,046
Western Australia ..	18,555,115	18,967,443	19,643,517	20,327,456	20,855,604
Tasmania	6,199,725	6,374,784	6,416,194	6,450,185	6,486,109
Total ..	253,526,519	263,293,099	276,114,845	288,391,955	303,785,388

(*a*) Exclusive of rolling stock for Federal Capital Territory and Central Australia lines.
(*b*) Exclusive of 11.67 miles from Mount Gambier to Victorian border.
(*c*) Exclusive of 12.53 miles from Murrayville to South Australian border.
(*d*) Includes cost of rolling stock, Central Australia line.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1922–23 TO 1926–27—*continued.*

Government.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
AVERAGE MILES WORKED.					
Federal	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales	5,197	5,460	5,571	5,722	5,747
Victoria	4,314	4,369	4,448	4,528	4,627
Queensland	5,868	5,960	6,078	6,145	6,259
South Australia	2,359	2,416	2,452	2,491	2,523
Western Australia	3,552	3,593	3,669	3,837	3,906
Tasmania	663	668	667	673	658
Total	23,686	24,199	24,618	25,129	25,453
TRAFFIC TRAIN MILES RUN (*a*)—'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	765	763	814	732	832
New South Wales	19,919	21,583	23,305	24,625	26,326
Victoria	15,723	16,595	17,482	17,576	18,031
Queensland	10,396	10,889	12,108	12,866	11,906
South Australia	5,793	6,187	6,653	6,846	6,960
Western Australia	4,325	4,636	4,843	4,863	5,274
Tasmania	1,395	1,386	1,359	1,342	1,303
Total	58,316	62,039	66,564	68,850	70,632
GROSS EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	337	353	409	412	499
New South Wales	15,221	15,617	16,770	16,939	18,907
Victoria	11,347	11,959	12,759	12,671	13,652
Queensland	5,420	5,714	7,109	7,437	7,325
South Australia	3,711	3,929	4,013	4,238	4,062
Western Australia	2,916	3,227	3,359	3,337	3,608
Tasmania	573	586	548	545	539
Total	39,525	41,385	44,967	45,579	48,592

(*a*) Not available. (*b*) Incomplete.

(*a*) Exclusive of "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1922–23 TO 1926–27—*continued.*

Government.	1922–23.	1923–24.	1924–25.	1925–26.	1926–27.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	461	475	497	521	472
New South Wales	10,650	10,918	11,940	12,520	13,796
Victoria	8,182	8,718	9,430	9,548	10,193
Queensland	4,714	4,991	5,425	6,460	6,495
South Australia	2,782	2,901	2,936	7,081*a*	5,798*a*
Western Australia	2,210	2,298	2,355	2,509	2,686
Tasmania	514	550	531	504	551
Total	29,513	30,851	33,114	39,143	39,991
NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	— 124	— 122	— 88	— 109	27
New South Wales	4,571	4,699	4,836	4,419	5,111
Victoria	3,165	3,241	3,329	3,123	3,459
Queensland	706	723	1,684	977	830
South Australia	930	1,028	1,077	— 2,843	— 1,736
Western Australia	706	929	1,004	828	922
Tasmania	58	36	17	41	— 12
Total	10,012	10,534	11,853	6,436	8,601
PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.	%	%	%	%	%
Federal	—1.09	—1.06	—0.74	—0.91	0.22
New South Wales	5.21	5.12	4.93	4.26	4.59
Victoria	4.90	4.92	4.96	4.54	4.92
Queensland	1.57	1.53	3.40	1.90	1.52
South Australia	4.59	4.80	4.56	—11.14	—6.17
Western Australia	3.80	4.90	5.11	4.07	4.42
Tasmania	0.98	0.55	0.26	0.63	—0.18
Total	3.97	4.00	4.32	2.23	2.83

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GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1926.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,733	5,750	4,627	6,261	2,535½	3,918	658	25,482½
Revenue—								
*a*Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	101	4,044	3,123	1,317	644	481	93	9,803
*a*Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	109	5,467	3,027	2,468	1,288	1,115	150	13,624
*a*Miscellaneous £	39	(*d*)	409	108	92	92	18	758
*a*Total Revenue £	249	9,511	6,559	3,893	2,024	1,688	261	24,185
*a*Expenditure £	236	6,973	4,894	3,459	2,160	1,319	244	19,285
Traffic—								
*a*Train miles run	428	13,009	8,880	6,569	3,436	2,551	655	35,528
Earnings per train mile	11s. 7½d.	14s. 7½d.	14s. 9d.	11s. 10d.	11s. 9½d.	13s. 3d.	7s. 11½d.	13s. 7½d.
Expenditure per train mile	11s. 0d.	10s. 8½d.	11s. 0d.	10s. 6½d.	12s. 7d.	10s. 4d.	7s. 5½d.	10s. 10d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings	94.83	73.31	74.62	88.85	106.74	78.12	93.77	79.74
*a*Passenger Journeys, No.	116	68,789	85,318	13,677	12,247	7,676	1,134	188,957
*a*Coal and Coke carried, tons	6	4,625	(*c*)	332	187	267	166	5,583
*a*Other Minerals carried, tons	7	1,212	(*c*)	2'9	320	309	(*b*)	2,097
*a*Live stock carried, tons	32	413	329	170	89	54	11	1,018
*a*Other Goods carried ,,	71	2,785	3,976	1,900	1,066	1,074	180	11,052
*a*Total Freight carried ,,	116	9,035	4,305	2,611	1,662	1,704	357	19,830

(*a*) ,000 omitted. (*b*) Included with Coal and Coke. (*c*) Included with other goods.
(*d*) Included with Coaching and Goods.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—*continued.*

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1927.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,756	5,868	4,652	6,341	2,528	3,978	658	25,781
*a*Revenue—								
*a*Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails,&c.) £	118	4,169	3,037	1,208	613	520	92	9,757
*a*Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	154	5,684	2,792	2,529	1,316	1,248	159	13,882
*a*Miscellaneous £	54	(*d*)	400	56	97	102	8	717
*a*Total Revenue £	326	9,853	6,229	3,793	2,026	1,870	259	24,356
*a*Expenditure £	270	7,600	4,886	3,098	1,830	1,458	249	19,391
*a*Train miles run ..	516	13,616	8,835	5,968	3,423	2,809	659	35,826
Earnings per train mile	12s. 8d.	14s. 6d.	14s. 1d.	12s. 9d.	11s. 10d.	13s. 4d.	7s. 10d.	13s. 7d.
Expenditure per train mile	10s. 6d.	11s. 2d.	11s. 1d.	10s. 5d.	10s. 8d.	10s. 5d.	7s. 7d.	10s. 10d-
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings	82.66	77.14	78.44	81.69	90.30	77.95	95.94	79.61
*a*Passenger Journeys, No.	82	74,112	82,549	12,118	11,392	8,195	1,085	189,533
*a*Coal and Coke carried, tons	8	3,964	261	337	175	278	164	5,187
*a*Other Minerals carried, tons	8	1,363	(*c*)	270	448	393	(*b*)	2,482
*a*Live stock carried, tons	59	432	358	207	89	56	11	1,212
*a*Other Goods carried ,,	50	2,599	3,308	2,012	985	1,222	190	10,366
*a*Total Freight carried ,,	125	8,358	3,927	2,826	1,697	1,949	365	19,247

(*a*) ,000 omitted. (*b*) Included with Coal and Coke. (*c*) Included with Other Goods.
(*d*) Included with Coaching and Goods.

B. Aircraft.

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

Particulars.	States in which Registered Owners are Located.					Total.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	
Companies or persons owning aircraft(*c*) .. No.	3	9	5	1	*2	20
Aeroplanes(*c*) .. .. No.	4	33	12	1	12	62
(*a*) Staff employed—						
Certificated Pilots .. No.	3	15	5	1	5	29
Others .. .. No.	4	26	18	..	24	72
Flights carried out .. No	1,504	2,691	734	69	508	5,506
Hours flown ..	489h. 55m.	1,931h. 14m.	870h. 57m.	144h. 30m.	1,065h. 25m.	4,502h. 01m.
Approximate mileage .. Miles	32,362	141,077	72,381	11,560	82,360	339,740
Passengers carried—						
Paying .. .. No.	1,405	2,405	556	(*d*)	761	(*e*)5,127
Non-Paying .. .. No.	76	1,085	16	(*d*)	70	(*e*)1,247
Total .. .. No.	1,481	3,490	572	(*d*)	831	(*e*)6,374
Goods, Weight carried .. lb.	..	17,395	3,309	..	27,884	48,588
Mails, Letters carried .. No.	..	(*b*)5,737	13,325	..	132,787	151,849
Accidents—						
Persons Killed .. No.	..	1	..	..	..	1
Persons Injured .. No.	..	1	..	..	..	1

(*a*) Monthly average. (*b*) Aerial Mail Service, Adelaide to Cootamundra and Branches.
(*c*) At 31st December, 1926. (*d*) Not available. (*e*) Incomplete.

AIRCRAFT—*continued.*

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1927 (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

Particulars.	States in which Registered Owners are Located.					Total.
	N.S.W.(*c*)	Vic.	Q'land.(*c*)	S. Aust.(*c*)	W. Aust.	
Companies or persons owning aircraft (*f*) .. No.	9	13	4	1	2	29
Aeroplanes (*f*) .. .. No.	13	37	16	1	13	80
(*a*) Staff employed—						
Certificated Pilots .. No.	9	18	5	1	6	39
Others .. .. No.	7	43	25	..	24	99
Flights carried out .. No.	10,308	5,981	2,909	95	1,321	20,614
Hours flown ..	1,592h. 6m.	2,144h. 18m.	1,270h. 38m.	156h. 20m.	1,525h. 52m.	6,689h. 14m.
Approximate mileage .. Miles	112,639	152,325	98,834	13,022	115,976	492,796
Passengers carried—						
Paying .. .. No.	3,533	6,363	1,196	(*d*)	1,916	13,008
Non-paying .. No.	916	1,097	79	(*d*)	356	2,448
Total .. No.	4,449	7,460	1,275	(*d*)	2,272	15,456
Goods, Weight carried .. lb.	..	17,671	7,670	..	31,528	56,869
Mails, Letters carried .. No.	..	(*b*)5,145	10,654	..	138,279	163,078
Accidents—						
Persons Killed .. No.	..	..	..	..	1	1
Persons Injured .. No.	..	4	..	..	..	4

(*a*) Monthly average. (*b*) Aerial Mail Services, Adelaide to Cootamundra and Branches.
(*c*) Incomplete. (*d*) Not available. (*f*) At 31st December, 1927.

C. Motor Vehicles.

PARTICULARS FOR YEARS 1925-26 AND 1926-27.

State.	Registrations.			Drivers' and Riders' Licences issued.	Revenue derived from—		
	Motor Cars, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicle Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders' Licences.	Total.
1925–26.							
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
New South Wales	115,082	24,154	139,236	203,123	886,995	93,786	980,781
Victoria	83,622	19,929	103,551	126,369	643,333	(*a*)	643,333
Queensland	46,905	6,388	53,293	40,940	192,839	13,755	206,594
South Australia	46,584	11,927	58,511	79,659	208,261	17,842	226,103
Western Australia ..	20,660	4,764	25,424	32,642	120,982	8,160	129,142
Tasmania	8,080	3,016	11,096	13,408	45,673	4,054	49,727
Northern Territory ..	158	31	189	170	29	42	71
Total	321,091	70,209	391,300	496,311	2,098,112	137,639	2,235,751
1926–27.							
New South Wales ..	149,180	27,092	176,272	244,937	1,103,538	114,053	1,217,591
Victoria	111,124	23,011	134,135	164,380	782,398	41,095	823,493
Queensland	60,877	7,941	68,818	52,066	253,806	17,873	271,679
South Australia	57,849	12,962	70,811	88,695	268,642	20,156	288,798
Western Australia ..	26,051	6,000	32,051	41,864	162,086	10,466	172,552
Tasmania	9,586	3,516	13,102	15,306	61,484	4,628	66,112
Northern Territory ..	213	27	240	295	125	69	194
Federal Capital Territory ..	828	110	938	1,042	4,427	517	4,944
Total	415,708	80,659	496,367	608,585	2,636,506	208,857	2,845,363

(*a*) Included with Vehicle Registrations, &c.

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership, at end of Years 1922 to 1926.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Total.	Total.
				NO. OF SEPARATE UNIONS.					
1922 ..	217	169	118	106	117	83	3	813	*a*387
1923 ..	204	160	119	110	115	87	2	797	*a*383
1924 ..	202	158	117	109	117	84	4	791	*a*376
1925 ..	188	154	107	101	114	75	4	743	*a*382
1926 ..	191	157	109	108	121	79	3	768	*a*372
				NO. OF BRANCHES.					
1922 ..	858	452	346	144	189	69	..	2,058	*b*2,484
1923 ..	763	388	285	78	170	59	..	1,743	*b*2,157
1924 ..	726	386	271	84	149	60	..	1,676	*b*2,091
1925 ..	715	367	287	85	152	45	..	1,651	*b*2,012
1926 ..	602	384	284	90	153	51	..	1,564	*b*1,960
				NO. OF MEMBERS.					
1922 ..	284,689	206,281	100,939	55,208	41,405	14,346	70	702,938	702,938
1923 ..	267,299	206,049	109,153	60,786	42,319	14,065	72	699,743	699,743
1924 ..	274,831	217,044	112,238	65,812	43,270	15,516	444	729,155	729,155
1925 ..	309,002	220,941	127,735	73,611	48,855	15,130	448	795,722	795,722
1926 ..	329,260	230,539	142,985	79,908	52,616	15,783	387	851,478	851,478

(*a*) Allowing for Inter-State duplication. The figures represent the number of district organizations and Inter-State groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations, which are practically independent and self-governing. (*b*) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Inter-State unions, but also head State branches of Inter-State unions.

Classification of Trade Unions in Australia according to Number of Members at end of Years 1922 to 1926.

Classification.	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
					NUMBER OF UNIONS.						
1922 ..	16	14	44	42	42	30	33	53	56	57	387
1923 ..	17	13	41	42	51	36	27	55	47	54	383
1924 ..	19	13	41	43	47	35	28	50	53	47	376
1925 ..	21	10	39	48	49	29	32	49	57	48	382
1926 ..	23	14	35	52	46	26	28	51	46	51	372
					MEMBERSHIP.						
1922 ..	338,689	104,299	138,492	57,115	30,834	12,019	8,150	7,602	3,987	1,751	702,938
1923 ..	341,167	100,122	131,796	55,379	37,634	14,152	6,231	8,057	3,432	1,773	699,743
1924 ..	379,009	95,892	127,120	59,847	33,303	14,517	6,878	7,303	3,857	1,429	729,155
1925 ..	449,878	77,815	130,924	69,778	34,720	12,067	7,871	7,065	4,183	1,421	795,722
1926 ..	501,514	101,277	112,095	74,867	32,132	10,638	6,846	7,323	3,288	1,498	851,478

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Unions Reporting, and Number and Percentage Unemployed, (*a*) 1923 to 1923 (1st Quarter).

Particulars.	Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
			Number.	Percentage.
1923, Year	436	376,557	26,672	7.1
1924, ,, ...	413	397,613	35,507	8.9
1925, ,, ...	380	391,380	34,620	8.8
1926, ,, ...	374	415,397	29,326	7.1
1927, ,, ...	375	445,985	31,032	7.0
1925, 3rd Quarter (*a*)	372	376,278	29,861	7.9
4th ,, ...	388	423,248	34,287	8.1
1926, 1st ,, ...	371	415,612	34,161	8.2
2nd ,, ...	355	369,894	24,920	6.7
3rd ,, ...	386	434,521	32,871	7.6
4th ,, ...	383	441,560	25,351	5.7
1927, 1st ,, ...	373	445,739	26,280	5.9
2nd ,, ...	387	455,133	29,217	6.4
3rd ,, ...	374	447,935	29,991	6.7
4th ,, ...	367	435,133	38,641	8.9
1928, 1st ,, ...	378	427,992	45,638	10.7

(*a*) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters.

Percentage of Members of Trade Unions returned as Unemployed (*a*) at the end of Year 1912, and Quarterly, 1926, 1927, and 1928.

State.	1912, end of Year.	1926.			1927.				1928.
		2nd Quar. (Apr. to June).	3rd Quar. (July to Sept.).	4th Quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Quar. (Jan. to Mar.).	2nd Quar. (April to June).	3rd Quar. (July to Sept.).	4th Quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Quar. (Jan. to Mar.).
New South Wales ..	5.0	7.5	7.4	6.2	7.0	6.8	5.3	9.1	11.8
Victoria	6.7	7.1	7.3	4.2	4.9	6.8	8.1	9.8	10.6
Queensland	4.6	4.3	8.2	8.5	6.5	5.5	5.5	6.2	7.7
South Australia ..	5.1	4.4	6.6	4.4	3.7	5.6	8.9	10.7	13.1
Western Australia ..	5.8	6.7	9.2	5.8	5.3	4.4	7.1	4.9	5.2
Tasmania	3.4	14.2	15.0	12.6	6.2	6.8	11.2	10.1	13.3
Total	5.6	6.7	7.6	5.7	5.9	6.4	6.7	8.9	10.7

(*a*) Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1922 to 1927 (4th Quarter).

Periods.	No. of Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost—All Disputes.			Total Estimated loss in wages. (*a*)
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	£
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year 1922 ..	342	657	88,257	14,042	102,299	..	..	586,520	579,491
,, 1923 ..	200	601	54,809	5,390	60,199	..	..	892,306	1,038,519
,, 1924 ..	416	584	116,087	17,648	133,735	..	..	706,796	755,142
,, 1925 ..	430	458	123,292	16,937	140,229	..	..	649,840	736,601
,, 1926 ..	256	631	68,281	28,359	96,640	..	..	1,111,230	1,229,410
1st Quarter, 1927	**82**	**183**	**33,074**	**18,576**	**51,650**	**509,521**	**27,000**	**536,521**	**591,460**
2nd Quarter, 1927	**69**	**94**	**16,564**	**16,547**	**33,111**	**205,441**	**65,931**	**271,372**	**283,264**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**121**	**121**	**35,676**	**4,586**	**40,262**	**171,057**	**45,134**	**216,191**	**239,279**
4th Quarter, 1927	**66**	**71**	**22,502**	**656**	**23,158**	**78,253**	**31,626**	**109,879**	**116,057**
VICTORIA.									
Year 1922 ..	29	412	5,819	311	6,130	..	..	64,701	47,695
,, 1923 ..	29	133	6,279	771	7,050	..	..	98,880	108,512
,, 1924 ..	30	36	9,621	416	10,037	..	..	66,567	50,735
,, 1925 ..	19	158	5,428	3,172	8,600	..	..	131,737	130,817
,, 1926 ..	33	39	6,320	2,245	8,565	..	..	100,735	106,423
1st Quarter, 1927	**6**	**7**	**2,693**	**10**	**2,703**	**8,009**	**583**	**8,592**	**7,263**
2nd Quarter, 1927	**4**	**4**	**415**	..	**415**	**1,409**	..	**1,409**	**1,010**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**6**	**12**	**934**	**170**	**1,104**	**8,494**	**634**	**9,128**	**8,659**
4th Quarter, 1927	**6**	**11**	**4,819**	**94**	**4,983**	**30,738**	**4,500**	**35,238**	**27,538**
QUEENSLAND.									
Year 1922 ..	38	49	2,611	620	3,231	..	..	36,730	32,589
,, 1923 ..	25	36	2,724	340	3,064	..	..	55,131	53,081
,, 1924 ..	25	30	2,889	246	3,135	..	..	47,214	42,018
,, 1925 ..	22	64	20,432	840	21,272	..	..	219,826	164,480
,, 1926 ..	29	37	2,054	391	2,445	..	..	30,118	27,412
1st Quarter, 1927	**9**	**70**	**5,636**	**1**	**5,637**	**226,321**	**4,692**	**231,013**	**197,479**
2nd Quarter, 1927	**5**	**5**	**477**	**269**	**746**	**12,450**	**1,035**	**13,485**	**10,297**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**5**	**6**	**18,657**	**145**	**18,802**	**154,959**	**182**	**155,141**	**93,845**
4th Quarter, 1927	**10**	**294**	**4,755**	**225**	**4,980**	**28,496**	..	**28,496**	**24,263**
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1922 ..	19	229	2,294	929	3,223	..	..	114,334	43,222
,, 1923 ..	10	23	806	975	1,781	..	..	25,971	20,440
,, 1924 ..	14	52	1,546	147	1,693	..	..	19,459	14,851
,, 1925 ..	11	24	1,118	281	1,399	..	..	19,463	12,240
,, 1926 ..	17	60	2,008	740	2,748	..	..	22,836	17,133
1st Quarter, 1927	**5**	**5**	**2,071**	**10**	**2,081**	**4,175**	..	**4,175**	**3,507**
2nd Quarter, 1927	**2**	**2**	**227**	..	**227**	**1,691**	**4,529**	**6,220**	**5,205**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**9**	**9**	**856**	**95**	**951**	**4,325**	..	**4,325**	**3,470**
4th Quarter, 1927	**3**	**8**	**3,363**	**1,254**	**4,617**	**36,564**	..	**36,564**	**28,084**

(*a*) Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1922 to 1927 (4th Quarter)—*continued.*

Periods.	No. of Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost—All Disputes.			Total Estimated Loss in Wages. (*a*) £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1922 ..	8	91	643	163	806	..	..	43,472	38,208
„ 1923 ..	6	88	1,255	2,752	4,007	..	..	72,274	53,408
„ 1924 ..	13	233	2,131	1,366	3,497	..	..	66,734	42,329
„ 1925 ..	10	180	3,321	814	4,135	..	..	98,941	56,359
„ 1926 ..	9	28	523	78	601	..	..	9,081	5,998
1st Quarter, 1927	**4**	**4**	**683**	..	**683**	**5,968**	..	**5,968**	**4,201**
2nd Quarter, 1927	**5**	**5**	**161**	**38**	**199**	**1,782**	..	**1,782**	**2,022**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**6**	**6**	**435**	**9**	**444**	**2,953**	..	**2,953**	**2,890**
4th Quarter, 1927	**5**	**10**	**2,066**	..	**2,066**	**13,116**	..	**13,116**	**10,831**
TASMANIA.									
Year 1922 ..	5	5	382	4	386	..	..	9,284	7,497
„ 1923 ..	3	3	197	..	197	..	..	1,093	1,296
„ 1924 ..	5	5	268	54	322	..	..	11,606	12,268
„ 1925 ..	3	16	169	70	239	..	..	2,989	2,300
„ 1926 ..	10	12	660	231	891	..	..	5,080	4,368
1st Quarter, 1927	**2**	**2**	**124**	**15**	**139**	**516**	..	**516**	**424**
2nd Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	**396**	**396**	**340**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**3**	**3**	**200**	**406**	**606**	**13,918**	..	**13,918**	**8,369**
4th Quarter, 1927	**1**	**1**	**30**	..	**30**	**120**	..	**120**	**49**
NORTHERN TERRITORY.									
Year 1922 ..	2	2	40	..	40	..	..	1,040	770
„ 1923 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1924 ..	1	1	27	..	27	..	..	270	356
„ 1925 ..	1	1	16	..	16	..	..	39	39
„ 1926 ..	2	2	93	112	205	..	..	996	870
1st Quarter, 1927	**1**	**1**	**331**	..	**331**	**3,960**	..	**3,960**	**3,600**
2nd Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	**993**	**993**	**943**
3rd Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4th Quarter, 1927	**1**	**1**	**7**	..	**7**	**210**	..	**210**	**210**
FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY.									
Year 1922 ..	2	2	217	..	217	..	..	2,604	2,035
„ 1923 ..	1	1	23	..	23	..	..	322	250
„ 1924 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1925 ..	3	5	823	33	856	..	..	5,735	4,709
„ 1926 ..	4	4	829	110	939	..	..	30,185	24,204
1st Quarter, 1927	**1**	**5**	**380**	..	**380**	**1,900**	..	**1,900**	**2,137**
2nd Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3rd Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4th Quarter, 1927	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL.									
Year 1922 ..	445	1,447	100,263	16,069	116,332	..	..	858,685	751,507
„ 1923 ..	274	885	66,093	10,228	76,321	..	..	1,145,977	1,275,506
„ 1924 ..	504	941	132,569	19,877	152,446	..	..	918,646	917,699
„ 1925 ..	499	906	154,599	22,147	176,746	..	..	1,128,570	1,107,544
„ 1926 ..	360	813	80,768	32,266	113,034	..	..	1,310,261	1,415,813
1st Quarter, 1927	**110**	**277**	**44,992**	**18,612**	**63,604**	**760,370**	**32,275**	**792,645**	**810,071**
2nd Quarter, 1927	**85**	**110**	**17,844**	**16,854**	**34,698**	**222,773**	**72,884**	**295,657**	**303,081**
3rd Quarter, 1927	**150**	**157**	**56,758**	**5,411**	**62,169**	**355,706**	**45,950**	**401,656**	**356,512**
4th Quarter, 1927	**92**	**396**	**37,612**	**2,229**	**39,841**	**187,497**	**36,126**	**223,623**	**207,032**

(*a*) Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

NOTE.—The figures for the year show all losses caused by disputes which were current during such year. The quarterly figures show losses which occurred during the quarter.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—Number and Effect, 1922 to 1926.

Particulars.		N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	F.C.T.	(a) All States.	Total.
Persons Affected.	Year 1922 ..	363,909	90,172	78,791	35,722	18,547	16,038	..	337	24,600	628,116
	„ 1923 ..	519,440	276,094	30,051	63,209	32,057	25,918	71	1,002	43,010	990,852
	„ 1924 ..	196,066	338,761	52,975	111,261	40,598	26,144	35	30	81,785	847,655
	„ 1925 ..	514,123	343,123	184,595	113,721	40,152	18,566	26	243	47,660	1,262,209
	„ 1926 ..	525,801	429,605	32,953	103,291	38,271	25,378	53	63	66,345	1,221,760
Net Increase per week.	Year 1922b..	£42,930	£6,625	£14,836	£2,687	£1,589	£1,701	..	£56	£138	£70,562
	„ 1923 ..	£53,868	£36,934	£2,177b	£9,784	£69b	£1,755	£20b	£298	£3,645	£104,018
	„ 1924 ..	£7,860	£7,312	£13,993	£7,835	£1,879	£1,335	£15	£1	£1,136	£41,366
	„ 1925 ..	£40,780	£19,968	£43,975	£9,693	£3,199	£293	£9b	£133	£1,395	£119,427
	„ 1926 ..	£43,471	£27,920	£5,081	£4,597	£4,164	£748	£20	£11	£1,608	£87,620
Average Increase per head per week.	Year 1922b..	2s. 4d.	1s. 6d.	3s. 9d.	1s. 6d.	1s. 9d.	2s. 1d.	..	3s. 4d.	0s. 1d.	2s. 3d.
	„ 1923 ..	2s. 9d.	2s. 8d.	1s. 5d.b	3s. 11d.	0s. 1d.b	1s. 4d.	5s. 8d.b	5s. 11d.	1s. 9d.	3s. 0d.
	1924 ..	0s. 10d.	0s. 5d.	5s. 3d.	1s. 5d.	0s. 11d.	1s. 0d.	8s. 7d.	0s. 8d.	0s. 3d.	1s. 0d.
	„ 1925 ..	1s. 7d.	1s. 2d.	4s. 9d.	1s. 8d.	1s. 7d.	0s. 4d.	6s.11d.b	10s.11d.	0s. 7d.	1s. 11d.
	„ 1926 ..	1s. 8d.	1s. 4d.	3s. 1d.	0s. 11d.	2s. 2d.	0s. 7d.	7s. 7d.	3s. 6d.	0s. 6d.	1s. 4d.

(a) Changes recorded in this column are common to all States, as the particulars relating to the number of workpeople affected and the net amount of increase per week *in each State* were not ascertainable. (b) Decrease.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—3rd and 4th Quarters, 1927.

State.	Increases.		Decreases.		Total Result of all Changes.		Average Amount of Increase per head per week.
	Workpeople affected.	Increase per Week.	Workpeople affected.	Decrease per Week.	Workpeople affected.	Net Increase per Week.	
3RD QUARTER, 1927.							
		£		£		£	s. d.
New South Wales ..	277,918	21,418	80,382	4,413	358,300	17,005	0 11½
Victoria	26,466	2,724	76,793	4,019	103,259	1,295b	0 3b
Queensland	512	141	614	43	1,126	98	1 9
South Australia.. ..	12,444	922	10,323	506	22,767	416	0 4½
Western Australia ..	1,359	130	2,619	132	3,978	2b	..
Tasmania	1,616	70	6,968	388	8,584	318b	0 9b
Northern Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Federal Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
All States (a)	..	..	15,149	440	15,149	440b	0 7b
Total	320,315	25,405	192,848	9,941	513,163	15,464	0 7
4TH QUARTER, 1927.							
		£		£		£	s. d.
New South Wales ..	128,075	12,601	374	75	128,449	12,526	1 11
Victoria	118,477	16,266	..	..	118,477	16,266	2 9
Queensland	1,133	207	..	..	1,133	207	3 8
South Australia ..	31,87	3,715	80	4	31,867	3,711	2 4
Western Australia ..	7,897	900	..	..	7,897	900	2 3
Tasmania	2,843	299	2,315	122	5,158	177	0 8
Northern Territory ..	413	113	35	6	448	107	4 9
All States (a)	14,074	898	..	..	14,074	898	1 3
Total	304,699	34,999	2,804	207	307,503	34,792	2 3

(a) See note (a) to preceding table. (b) Decrease.

Changes in Rates of Wage according to Industrial Groups—Australia, 1921 to 1926.

Particulars.	Industrial Group.														
	I. Wood, Furniture, Timber, &c.	II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c.	IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c.	V. Books, Printing, &c.	VI. Other Manufacturing.	VII. Building.	VIII. Mines, Quarries, &c.	IX. Rail and Tram Services.	X. Other Land Transport.	XI. Shipping, &c.	XII. Pastoral, &c.	XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	XIV. Miscellaneous.	All Groups.
1921.															
Number of Persons affected ..	11,915	58,632	55,555	89,542	12,116	55,766	24,717	6,322	127,860	24,885	37,904	1,815	17,904	207,332	732,265
Amount of Increase per week £	2,650	17,244	13,658	16,143	4,000	14,666	10,196	2,896	18,573	2,717	17,986	853	4,339	59,737	185,658
1922.															
Number of Persons affected ..	14,824	68,844	34,987	13,793	13,533	64,285	48,603	17,716	86,161	12,603	28,432	56,292	15,663	152,380	628,116
Amount of **Decrease** per week £	2,028	14,399	5,805	1,412	1,722	6,784	8,069	2,330	15,311	2,075	55a	(a)4,136	1,288	12,916	70,562
1923.															
Number of Persons affected ..	60,724	102,475	72,851	19,593	10,445	82,785	79,685	18,223	155,830	23,510	79,466	24,720	21,724	238,821	990,852
Amount of Increase per week £	6,209	12,258	3,594	(b)333	1,021	9,144	13,034	828	11,990	237	6,873	9,647	3,117	26,399	104,018
1924.															
Number of Persons affected ..	62,728	79,067	43,685	55,155	8,803	78,843	66,596	12,100	86,961	43,343	94,110	13,989	7,607	194,668	847,655
Amount of Increase per week £	(b)2,506	(b)2,270	2,713	4,103	4,246	(b)1,881	7,806	580	6,544	1,555	(b)5,350	4,749	1,834	19,243	41,366
1925.															
Number of Persons affected ..	95,720	123,669	68,596	40,202	16,224	115,692	121,549	31,373	188,752	27,249	77,285	55,495	37,472	262,931	1,262,209
Amount of Increase per week £	7,905	9,500	7,609	1,444	1,128	8,407	10,149	4,108	18,196	3,435	5,656	10,577	4,239	27,074	119,427
1926.															
Number of Persons affected ..	60,422	96,677	43,416	98,659	21,157	92,324	132,012	57,650	283,101	27,019	90,685	13,160	1,066	204,412	1,221,760
Amount of Increase per week £	1,669	850	4,180	5,334	2,513	4,231	14,848	8,125	20,227	2,404	2,416	552	369	19,904	87,620

(a) Increase. (b) Decrease.

Wages.—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1927.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars. *a*	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	107/2	103/9	102/8	100/2	102/1	101/5	104/1
	Working Hours	44.13	46.23	44.03	45.64	45.29	45.60	45.03
	Hourly Wage	29.14	26.92	27.98	26.34	27.05	26.68	27.73
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	102/3	101/9	99/6	101/3	102/10	101/5	101/8
	Working Hours	44.11	46.84	44.00	46.74	47.40	46.16	45.53
	Hourly Wage	27.82	26.07	27.14	25.98	26.04	26.36	26.80
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	99/5	99/–	98/10	98/8	97/5	94/11	98/10
	Working Hours	44.54	46.96	44.00	46.36	46.20	47.94	45.47
	Hourly Wage	26.49	25.30	26.95	25.54	25.30	23.76	26.09
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	95/8	96/9	101/8	101/8	101/5	93/3	97/3
	Working Hours	44.00	45.76	44.00	44.00	44.00	46.29	44.78
	Hourly Wage	26.09	25.38	27.74	27.74	27.65	24.16	26.06
V. Books, Printing, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	113/1	113/7	112/4	112/8	119/8	113/2	113/5
	Working Hours	43.59	45.24	44.00	46.65	43.00	46.35	44.49
	Hourly Wage	31.14	30.13	39.64	28.98	33.40	29.31	30.60
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	Weekly Wage	102/1	98/1	98/8	101/5	100/5	97/4	100/2
	Working Hours	45.42	47.44	44.75	47.73	46.80	47.65	46.40
	Hourly Wage	26.97	24.82	26.45	25.50	25.75	24.51	25.91
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	111/9	112/–	114/9	108/11	103/–	103/7	111/2
	Working Hours	43.67	44.0	44.00	44.00	44.53	44.15	43.90
	Hourly Wage	30.71	30.53	31.30	29.71	27.75	28.16	30.38
VIII. Mining *b*	Weekly Wage	111/4	109/1	117/5	71/5	108/9	98/2	109/4
	Working Hours	42.65	45.12	43.47	43.79	43.65	45.42	43.60
	Hourly Wage	31.32	29.01	32.41	19.56	29.89	26.15	30.09
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	101/2	104/3	102/4	100/2	98/11	94/4	101/9
	Working Hours	47.81	47.49	44.00	48.38	44.31	48.00	46.93
	Hourly Wage	25.38	26.33	27.91	24.84	26.80	23.58	26.01
X. Other Land Transport ..	Weekly Wage	98/9	91/8	97/2	90/2	96/10	95/2	95/5
	Working Hours	44.00	48.13	44.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	45.93
	Hourly Wage	26.93	22.85	26.50	22.54	24.20	23.79	24.93
XI. Shipping, &c. ..	Weekly Wage *c*	100/4	103/11	101/8	105/9	101/7	103/2	102/2
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage *d*	99/11	91/9	94/–	88/6	91/–	90/5	94/9
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ..	Weekly Wage *d*	91/1	95/6	89/7	91/3	92/9	70/2	91/8
	Working Hours	44.00	48.33	44.00	48.00	48.00	54.00	46.16
	Hourly Wage	24.85	23.70	24.42	22.81	23.18	15.60	23.83
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	95/11	97/9	96/3	92/9	91/5	88/10	95/8
	Working Hours	44.77	47.72	44.00	47.78	47.61	48.56	46.17
	Hourly Wage	25.71	24.58	26.25	23.30	23.05	21.95	24.87
All Groups	Weekly Wage	101/2	99/8	100/1	95/6	98/8	93/9	99/7
All Groups excepting XI. and XII.	Weekly Wage	101/7	101/2	102/2	96/11	100/–	94 8	100/9
	Working Hours	44.44	46.83	43.96	46.81	45.78	47.17	45.47
	Hourly Wage	27.42	25.93	27.90	24.84	26.22	24.09	26.60

(*a*) Particulars relate to the *Average Weighted* weekly wage, working hours, and hourly wage, respectively. (*b*) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (*c*) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service and include value of victualling and accommodation, where provided, at 91/1 per month. (*d*) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied. (*e*) Special agreement rates, mining industry dormant owing to reduced price of industrial metals.

Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1927.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars. *a*	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	46/8	50/8	44/1	44/6	45/–	49/	48/2
	Working Hours	44.80	47.33	44.00	48.00	44.00	48.00	46.09
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	1/0¾	1/–	–/11	1/0¼	1/0¼	1/0½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	52/8	51/11	52/7	53/10	54/2	51/2	52/5
	Working Hours	44.14	44.64	44.00	44.00	44.00	45.11	44.35
	Hourly Wage	1/2¼	1/2	1/2¼	1/2¾	1/2¾	1/1¾	1/2¼
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	52/7	54/1	48/9	50/9	..	53.00	53/–
	Working Hours	44.59	46.87	44.14	47.50	..	48.00	45.89
	Hourly Wage	1/2¼	1/1¾	1/1¼	1/0¾	..	1/1¼	1/1¾
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ..	Weekly Wage *b*	51/9	53/8	52/3	49/3	63/3	56/1	53/5
	Working Hours	43.38	47.69	44.00	48.00	47.20	54.00	45.69
	Hourly Wage	1/2¼	1/1½	1/2¼	1/0¼	1/4	1/0½	1/2
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks &c.	Weekly Wage	52/8	53/–	58/6	44/–	..	..	52/8
	Working Hours	44.00	45.75	44.00	48.00	..	..	45.05
	Hourly Wage	1/2¼	1/2	1/4	–/11	..	..	1/2
All Groups	Weekly Wage	52/3	52/6	53/5	49/11	58/6	52/7	52/7
	Working Hours	44.02	45.60	44.01	46.10	45.57	47.86	44.94
	Hourly Wage	1/2¼	1/1¾	1/2½	1/1	1/3½	1/1¼	1/2

(*a*) Particulars relate to the *average weighted* weekly rates of wage, working hours, and hourly wage respectively. (*b*) Including the value of board and lodging, where supplied, in order that the rate may be comparable with those paid in other industries.

Wages—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 30th September, 1927.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia in 1911 (51s. 3d.) as base (= 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
RATES OF WAGE.							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
30th June, 1914	55 11	54 4	52 10	54 4	62 9	52 7	55 3
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
31st December, 1921	95 10	93 7	96 8	89 5	95 0	91 8	94 6
31st December, 1922	91 6	91 4	93 10	87 6	93 9	88 5	91 6
30th June, 1923	91 10	91 1	93 9	87 5	93 3	88 3	91 6
31st December, 1923	94 6	95 7	94 2	90 9	94 2	92 4	94 4
30th June, 1924	94 0	95 10	94 8	91 1	93 9	92 7	94 3
31st December, 1924	93 6	95 5	95 9	91 10	94 8	92 6	94 3
31st March, 1925	93 8	95 3	95 10	92 0	95 0	92 9	94 4
30th June, 1925	93 11	95 6	95 10	92 6	96 3	92 11	94 8
30th September, 1925	94 11	96 1	99 0	94 1	96 10	93 1	95 10
31st December, 1925	96 0	97 2	99 11	94 4	97 0	93 5	96 9
31st March, 1926	96 3	97 5	100 2	95 0	96 10	93 7	97 0
30th June, 1926	96 11	98 2	100 3	95 10	97 6	94 6	97 7
30th September, 1926	97 7	99 9	100 4	97 0	98 5	95 2	98 6
31st December, 1926	100 5	99 6	100 1	95 8	98 9	94 10	99 4
31st March, 1927	100 9	100 2	100 1	95 5	98 8	94 6	99 7
30th June, 1927	100 10	99 9	100 1	95 8	98 8	94 1	99 6
30th September, 1927	101 2	99 8	100 1	95 6	98 8	93 9	99 7
INDEX-NUMBERS.							
30th June, 1914	1,091	1,059	1,030	1,060	1,225	1,026	1,079
31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1921	1,869	1,826	1,886	1,745	1,853	1,788	1,844
31st December, 1922	1,785	1,783	1,830	1,708	1,829	1,726	1,785
30th June, 1923	1,791	1,778	1,829	1,705	1,820	1,723	1,785
31st December, 1923	1,844	1,865	1,837	1,770	1,838	1,802	1,840
30th June, 1924	1,835	1,870	1,847	1,778	1,829	1,807	1,840
31st December, 1924	1,824	1,862	1,868	1,791	1,847	1,805	1,839
31st March, 1925	1,827	1,858	1,869	1,795	1,853	1,809	1,840
30th June, 1925	1,832	1,864	1,870	1,804	1,877	1,812	1,846
30th September, 1925	1,853	1,874	1,931	1,835	1,889	1,817	1,865
31st December, 1925	1,873	1,897	1,950	1,841	1,893	1,823	1,887
31st March, 1926	1,879	1,901	1,955	1,854	1,890	1,827	1,892
30th June, 1926	1,891	1,916	1,956	1,870	1,902	1,843	1,904
30th September, 1926	1,905	1,947	1,958	1,892	1,921	1,856	1,922
31st December, 1926	1,959	1,941	1,952	1,867	1,927	1,851	1,938
31st March, 1927	1,966	1,952	1,952	1,861	1,925	1,843	1,944
30th June, 1927	1,967	1,947	1,953	1,867	1,924	1,836	1,942
30th September, 1927	1,974	1,944	1,952	1,864	1,924	1,829	1,944

Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 30th September, 1927.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia at 30th April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) as base = 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W	Vic	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
RATES OF WAGE.							
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
30th June, 1914	26 9	27 4	27 0	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 2
31st December, 1914	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
31st December, 1921	49 0	47 10	50 3	45 2	56 4	47 6	48 8
31st December, 1922	47 8	48 0	48 2	44 0	56 4	47 7	47 11
30th June, 1923	47 6	48 0	48 2	44 0	56 4	47 7	47 10
31st December, 1923	49 3	49 5	50 5	46 4	56 4	48 6	49 6
30th June, 1924	49 3	50 2	51 3	46 9	56 8	50 7	50 0
31st December, 1924	49 1	49 7	50 10	46 6	56 11	50 3	49 7
31st March, 1925	49 0	49 7	50 8	47 3	56 11	50 1	49 7
30th June, 1925	49 0	49 9	50 8	47 5	57 2	50 1	49 8
30th September, 1925	49 6	49 11	51 7	48 4	57 6	50 1	50 2
31st December, 1925	49 8	50 8	51 9	48 10	57 6	50 2	50 7
31st March, 1926	50 2	51 5	52 7	49 7	57 6	50 9	51 2
30th June, 1926	50 2	51 6	52 7	49 8	57 6	50 9	51 3
30th September, 1926	50 5	51 7	52 7	50 0	57 9	50 11	51 5
31st December, 1926	50 8	51 11	52 10	50 0	58 6	51 8	51 8
31st March, 1927	51 0	52 2	53 2	50 4	58 6	52 1	52 0
30th June, 1927	51 1	52 2	53 9	50 4	58 6	52 0	52 1
30th September, 1927	52 3	52 6	53 5	49 11	58 6	52 7	52 7
INDEX-NUMBERS.							
30th June, 1914	984	1,006	993	885	1,373	950	1,000
31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
31st December, 1921	1,803	1,761	1 849	1,661	2,074	1,749	1,790
31st December, 1922	1,754	1,767	1,771	1,620	2,075	1,751	1,763
30th June, 1923	1,747	1,767	1,771	1,620	2,075	1,751	1,760
31st December, 1923	1,812	1,819	1,855	1,704	2,075	1,785	1,821
30th June, 1924	1,813	1,845	1,886	1,721	2,085	1,863	1,839
31st December, 1924	1,807	1,824	1,872	1,710	2,094	1,850	1,826
31st March, 1925	1,803	1,825	1,865	1,738	2,094	1,843	1,826
30th June, 1925	1,803	1,830	1,865	1,745	2,104	1,844	1,829
30th September, 1925	1,821	1,837	1,898	1,779	2,116	1,844	1,845
31st December, 1925	1,827	1,866	1,904	1,796	2,116	1,845	1,861
31st March, 1926	1,847	1,892	1,935	1,826	2,116	1,868	1,884
30th June, 1926	1,847	1,895	1,935	1,827	2,117	1,868	1,886
30th September, 1926	1,856	1,900	1,936	1,839	2,127	1,873	1,892
31st December, 1926	1,865	1,911	1,944	1,839	2,152	1,902	1,902
31st March, 1927	1,878	1,921	1,958	1,854	2,152	1,916	1,914
30th June, 1927	1,880	1,921	1,980	1,853	2,152	1,915	1,917
30th September, 1927	1,922	1,932	1,965	1,838	2,152	1,935	1,934

Boards Authorized and Constituted, Awards, Determinations, and Agreements in Force, 30th September, 1927.

Particulars.	Commonwealth.		N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
	Court.	Pub. Ser. Arb.							
1. *Boards Authorized and Constituted*—									
Number of Boards authorized	..	..	297*a*	181	2	75	..	49	604
Number of Boards constituted	..	..	297*a*	176	2	49*c*	..	43	567
2. *Boards Constituted which have made Awards or Determinations*—									
Number of Boards which had made or varied awards or determinations	..	..	276	168	..	63	..	39	546
Number of Boards which had not made any award or determination	..	..	21	13	2	12	..	10	58
3. *Number of Awards and Determinations in Force b* ..	215	36	385	179	247	112	110	51	1,335
4. *Scope of State Awards and Determinations*—									
Number applying to the whole State	..	..	77	67	70	16	5	41	276
Number applying to the Metropolitan area only ..	..	..	102	2	62	65	62	1	294
Number applying to the Metropolitan and Country towns	..	..	134	97	51	2	10	7	301
Number applying to the Country areas	..	..	72	13	64	29	33	2	213
5. *Number of Commonwealth Court Awards in Force in each State*	..	..	126	150	41	121	46	81	..
6. *Number of Determinations of the Public Service Arbitrator in Force in each State* ..	..	..	34	29	27	27	27	26	..
7. *Industrial Agreements in Force*	263	..	173	..	103	50	120	4	713
8. *Number of Commonwealth Agreements in Force in each State*	..	..	95	105	31	28	19	25	..
9. *Number of Persons covered by State Awards, Determinations, and Industrial Agreements (estimated)* ..	..	..	285,000	198,000	169,000	33,500	36,000	19,000	740,500

(*a*) Excluding Special Demarcation Boards. In pursuance of section 14 of the *Industrial Arbitration Act* 1912, as amended, the Court of Industrial Arbitration has been exercising the functions of Industrial Boards. (*b*) Including awards made by Industrial Courts. (*c*) At the 31st December, 1924, the majority of South Australian Industrial Boards appointed during 1921 had expired by effluxion of time. The number shown represents those reconstituted at the end of the period.

Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—Commencing with the first quarter of the Year 1925 the basis of computation for housing accommodation was altered. Previously, the weighted average rent of all houses had been taken for the rent constituent. In the tables on this and the two following pages the weighted average rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only has been taken. For comparative purposes index-numbers have been computed on the same basis for the years 1911, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924. The table on page 77 has been prepared for the use of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, and is based upon the weighted average rental of all houses in continuation of the series used by the Court for quarterly adjustment of wages.

Retail Price Index-Numbers,(a)—Capital Cities, 1911 to 1927.

Base in each Section:—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities in 1911=1,000.

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of (say) housing, and food and groceries, since the weighted average cost for the six cities taken together in 1911 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1911.	1921.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.
GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—GROCERIES AND FOOD.						
Sydney	989	1,898	1,732	1,785	1,867	1,846
Melbourne	935	1,901	1,684	1,748	1,774	1,732
Brisbane	1,018	1,812	1,690	1,734	1,788	1,680
Adelaide	1,020	1,906	1,791	1,840	1,869	1,841
Perth	1,346	1,995	1,891	1,938	1,866	1,796
Hobart	1,058	2,025	1,849	1,810	1,868	1,788
Weighted Average ..	**1,000**	**1,902**	**1,732**	**1,785**	**1,829**	**1,789**
GROUP IV.—HOUSING—WEIGHTED AVERAGE 4 AND 5 ROOMS.						
Sydney	1,145	1,617	1,831	1,870	1,826	1,814
Melbourne	931	1,340	1,574	1,604	1,695	1,710
Brisbane	610	1,030	1,157	1,165	1,333	1,361
Adelaide	1,155	1,322	1,540	1,576	1,516	1,540
Perth	857	1,209	1,311	1,340	1,469	1,507
Hobart	739	1,441	1,592	1,649	1,628	1,579
Weighted Average ..	**1,000**	**1,410**	**1,615**	**1,647**	**1,677**	**1,684**
ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—GROCERIES, FOOD, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).						
Sydney	1,048	1,793	1,769	1,817	1,852	1,834
Melbourne	934	1,690	1,643	1,694	1,744	1,724
Brisbane	865	1,519	1,490	1,521	1,617	1,560
Adelaide	1,070	1,687	1,697	1,741	1,736	1,728
Perth	1,162	1,700	1,673	1,714	1,717	1,687
Hobart	938	1,806	1,753	1,750	1,778	1,710
Weighted Average ..	**1,000**	**1,717**	**1,688**	**1,733**	**1,772**	**1,749**

(a) As the price index-number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (c) (Food, Groceries, and Housing, 4 and 5 rooms) for each of Thirty Towns, 1911, 1921, and 1924 to 1928 (1st Quarter), with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities (Food, Groceries and Rent of 4 and 5 roomed Houses) in 1911 as Base (=1,000).

Particulars.	1911.	1921.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.			1928.
	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	1st Qtr. (Jan. to March.)	4th Qtr (Oct. to Dec.)	1st Qr. (Jan. to March.)
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	1,048	1,793	1,769	1,817	1,852	1,834	1,834	1,871	1,846
Newcastle	..	1,752	1,663	1,746	1,793	1,796	1,795	1,845	1,810
Broken Hill	..	1,672	1,570	1,691	1,735	1,770	1,724	1,812	1,807
Goulburn	..	1,740	1,763	1,749	1,810	1,848	1,822	1,898	1,896
Bathurst	..	1,543	1,500	1,590	1,666	1,644	1,666	1,646	1,642
(a)Weighted Average ..	..	1,780	1,753	1,805	1,842	1,828	1,826	1,866	1,841
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne	934	1,690	1,643	1,694	1,744	1,724	1,698	1,747	1,739
Ballarat	..	1,487	1,425	1,489	1,515	1,492	1,486	1,499	1,495
Bendigo	..	1,490	1,450	1,520	1,574	1,589	1,567	1,611	1,570
Geelong	..	1,607	1,520	1,577	1,689	1,690	1,672	1,706	1,675
Warrnambool	..	1,614	1,537	1,533	1,551	1,546	1,518	1,582	1,566
(a)Weighted Average ..	..	1,659	1,622	1,673	1,725	1,706	1,682	1,729	1,719
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane	865	1,519	1,490	1,521	1,617	1,560	1,575	1,578	1,561
Toowoomba	..	1,406	1,388	1,473	1,559	1,475	1,524	1,475	1,430
Rockhampton	..	1,434	1,349	1,478	1,577	1,550	1,593	1,531	1,485
Charters Towers ..	..	1,497	1,492	1,517	1,617	1,617	1,669	1,605	1,614
Warwick	..	1,473	1,427	1,450	1,560	1,540	1,548	1,549	1,450
(a)Weighted Average ..	..	1,496	1,468	1,511	1,608	1,554	1,575	1,566	1,544
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide	1,070	1,687	1,697	1,741	1,736	1,728	1,714	1,734	1,757
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	..	1,538	1,469	1,484	1,513	1,508	1,513	1,497	1,497
Port Pirie	..	1,596	1,514	1,602	1,672	1,627	1,630	1,622	1,617
Mount Gambier ..	..	1,478	1,361	1,403	1,468	1,447	1,441	1,464	1,463
Peterborough	..	1,568	1,595	1,688	1,695	1,722	1,744	1,738	1,714
(a)Weighted Average ..	..	1,666	1,675	1,720	1,720	1,711	1,699	1,716	1,737
WEST AUSTRALIA—									
Perth, &c.	1,162	1,700	1,673	1,714	1,717	1,687	1,688	1,682	1,681
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	..	1,732	1,670	1,676	1,664	1,614	1,617	1,589	1,579
Northam	..	..	1,696	1,785	1,787	1,775	1,756	1,780	1,759
Bunbury	..	1,660	1,646	1,693	1,687	1,675	1,697	1,664	1,624
Geraldton	..	1,737	1,746	1,809	1,784	1,763	1,765	1,770	1,796
(a)Weighted Average ..	..	1,704	1,674	1,713	1,713	1,683	1,684	1,676	1,673
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	938	1,806	1,753	1,750	1,778	1,710	1,732	1,684	1,659
Launceston	..	1,620	1,625	1,616	1,640	1,585	1,600	1,579	1,594
Burnie	..	..	1,662	1,640	1,668	1,608	1,611	1,597	1,597
Devonport	..	..	1,643	1,623	1,643	1,580	1,622	1,530	1,538
Queenstown	..	1,589	1,564	1,582	1,545	1,495	1,489	1,520	1,472
(a)Weighted Average ..	..	1,701	1,701	1,696	1,720	1,657	1,676	1,638	1,625
Weighted Average for 30 towns	..	1,691	1,668	1,715	1,756	1,734	1,728	1,757	1,744
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities	**1,000**	**1,717**	**1,688**	**1,733**	**1,772**	**1,749**	**1,741**	**1,773**	**1,761**
(b)Townsville (Q) ..	..	1,799	1,781	1,814	1,932	1,869	1,920	1,835	1,798

(a) Average for the five towns. (b) Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.
(c) As the price index-number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

RETAIL PRICES : Amount necessary on the Average in each Year from 1911 to 1928 (1st Quarter) to purchase in each Capital City what would have cost on the Average £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole. (Food and Groceries and Rent of 4 and 5 roomed Houses.)

Year.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of six Capital Cities.
FOOD AND GROCERIES (46 COMMODITIES).							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
1911	19 9	18 8	20 4	20 5	26 11	21 2	**20 0**
1921	38 0	38 0	36 3	38 1	40 0	40 6	**38 0**
1923	36 5	36 1	33 10	36 6	36 7	37 3	**36 1**
1924	34 8	33 8	33 10	35 10	37 10	37 0	**34 8**
1925	35 9	35 0	34 8	36 10	38 10	36 2	**35 8**
1926	37 4	35 6	35 9	37 5	37 4	37 4	**36 7**
1927	36 11	34 8	33 7	36 10	35 11	35 9	**35 9**
1926—1st Quarter	36 9	35 0	35 6	37 3	37 1	37 7	**36 2**
2nd " ..	38 2	37 2	35 7	39 4	38 10	38 3	**37 9**
3rd " ..	37 3	35 2	35 11	36 9	37 3	37 2	**36 5**
4th " ..	37 3	34 7	36 1	36 2	36 2	36 5	**36 1**
1927—1st " ..	36 11	34 0	34 5	36 7	36 3	36 3	**35 8**
2nd " ..	36 2	33 10	32 10	36 5	36 7	35 9	**35 1**
3rd " ..	36 4	35 7	33 4	37 6	35 6	35 11	**35 11**
4th " ..	38 2	35 3	33 10	36 9	35 5	35 2	**36 5**
1928—1st " ..	36 8	34 4	33 5	36 2	35 4	34 7	**35 5**
HOUSING ACCOMMODATION (WEIGHTED AVERAGE—4 AND 5 ROOMS).							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
1911	22 11	18 7	12 2	23 1	17 2	14 9	**20 0**
1921	32 4	26 10	20 7	26 5	24 2	28 10	**28 2**
1923	34 9	30 8	23 0	29 0	25 11	30 1	**31 1**
1924	36 7	31 6	23 2	30 10	26 3	31 10	**32 4**
1925	37 6	32 1	23 4	31 6	26 9	33 0	**33 0**
1926	36 6	33 11	26 8	30 4	29 5	32 7	**32 7**
1927	36 3	34 2	27 3	30 10	30 2	31 7	**33 8**
1926—1st Quarter	36 5	33 7	26 8	30 7	29 3	32 6	**33 5**
2nd " ..	36 7	34 0	26 8	30 7	29 5	31 11	**33 7**
3rd " ..	36 7	34 0	26 8	30 0	29 6	32 9	**33 7**
4th " ..	36 7	34 1	26 8	30 1	29 4	33 1	**33 7**
1927—1st " ..	36 3	34 0	26 8	30 5	29 8	32 0	**33 6**
2nd " ..	36 6	34 0	26 8	30 5	29 7	31 9	**33 7**
3rd " ..	36 2	34 4	27 9	31 3	30 7	31 6	**33 10**
4th " ..	36 3	34 6	27 9	31 2	30 9	31 1	**33 11**
1928—1st " ..	37 4	35 7	27 8	33 5	30 9	30 9	**34 11**
FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS) COMBINED.							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
1911	21 0	18 8	17 4	21 5	23 3	18 9	**20 0**
1921	35 10	33 10	30 5	33 9	34 0	36 1	**34 4**
1923	35 10	34 0	29 10	33 8	32 6	34 7	**34 2**
1924	35 5	32 10	29 10	33 11	33 6	35 1	**33 9**
1925	36 4	33 11	30 5	34 10	34 4	35 0	**34 8**
1926	37 1	34 11	32 4	34 9	34 4	35 7	**35 4**
1927	36 8	34 6	31 2	34 7	33 9	34 2	**35 0**
1926—1st Quarter	36 7	34 6	32 2	34 9	34 1	35 8	**35 1**
2nd " ..	37 6	36 0	32 2	36 1	35 3	35 10	**36 2**
3rd " ..	37 0	34 9	32 5	34 3	34 4	35 6	**35 4**
4th " ..	37 0	34 5	32 7	33 11	33 7	35 2	**35 2**
1927—1st " ..	36 8	34 0	31 6	34 3	33 9	34 8	**34 10**
2nd " ..	36 4	33 11	30 7	34 2	33 11	34 3	**34 7**
3rd " ..	36 4	35 1	31 3	35 1	33 8	34 3	**35 1**
4th " ..	37 5	34 11	31 7	34 8	33 8	33 8	**35 6**
1928—1st " ..	36 11	34 9	31 3	35 2	33 7	33 2	**35 3**

Note.—This table is prepared for the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration on a different basis from those given on the three preceding pages. As indicated by the heading in the table the rent constituent is based upon the weighted average of all houses. It is comparable with those published in issues of the Quarterly Summary previous to No. 99, but not directly comparable with those on pages 74 to 76 of this issue, owing to the difference in the basis of housing accommodation.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and Housing—all Houses) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average of Food, Groceries, and Rent of all Houses for the Six Capital Cities in 1911 as Base (=1,000).

State and Town.	1927.			1928.	Index-Numbers for Twelve Months ending—	
	Second Quarter (April to June).	Third Quarter (July to September).	Fourth Quarter (October to December.)	First Quarter (January to March).	31st Dec., 1927.	31st March, 1928.
NEW SOUTH WALES—						
Sydney	1,803	1,819	1,872	1,846	1,831	1,835
Newcastle	1,683	1,701	1,763	1,726	1,715	1,718
Broken Hill	1,661	1,704	1,720	1,711	1,681	1,699
Goulburn	1,784	1,820	1,851	1,836	1,815	1,823
Bathurst	1,552	1,553	1,575	1,555	1,564	1,559
Weighted Average, New South Wales	1,787	1,804	1,856	1,830	1,815	1,819
VICTORIA—						
Melbourne	1,754	1,812	1,800	1,768	1,781	1,784
Ballarat	1,525	1,565	1,554	1,553	1,544	1,549
Bendigo	1,551	1,600	1,588	1,584	1,576	1,581
Geelong	1,702	1,727	1,728	1,712	1,714	1,717
Warrnambool	1,548	1,584	1,599	1,585	1,570	1,579
Weighted Average, Victoria	1,733	1,789	1,778	1,749	1,759	1,762
QUEENSLAND—						
Brisbane	1,570	1,598	1,610	1,596	1,598	1,594
Toowoomba	1,472	1,473	1,494	1,449	1,496	1,472
Rockhampton	1,581	1,582	1,571	1,516	1,594	1,563
Charters Towers ..	1,516	1,511	1,520	1,505	1,532	1,513
Warwick	1,476	1,490	1,498	1,425	1,496	1,472
Weighted Average, Queensland	1,560	1,581	1,592	1,570	1,585	1,576
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—						
Adelaide	1,725	1,771	1,747	1,758	1,743	1,750
Kadina, &c.	1,471	1,465	1,476	1,464	1,471	1,469
Port Pirie	1,560	1,577	1,569	1,564	1,570	1,568
Mount Gambier ..	1,387	1,410	1,419	1,420	1,403	1,409
Peterborough	1,649	1,656	1,679	1,682	1,659	1,667
Weighted Average, South Australia	1,703	1,745	1,724	1,733	1,720	1,726
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—						
Perth, &c.	1,612	1,595	1,608	1,607	1,605	1,606
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,532	1,512	1,487	1,480	1,512	1,503
Northam	1,621	1,618	1,627	1,571	1,615	1,609
Bunbury	1,543	1,525	1,533	1,525	1,539	1,532
Geraldton	1,577	1,565	1,573	1,565	1,575	1,570
Weighted Average, Western Australia	1,602	1,585	1,593	1,590	1,594	1,593
TASMANIA—						
Hobart	1,715	1,711	1,686	1,658	1,712	1,693
Launceston	1,591	1,587	1,580	1,594	1,592	1,588
Burnie	1,576	1,577	1,562	1,566	1,574	1,570
Devonport	1,582	1,594	1,557	1,559	1,589	1,573
Queenstown	1,357	1,395	1,401	1,389	1,384	1,386
Weighted Average, Tasmania	1,656	1,655	1,635	1,622	1,656	1,642
Weighted Average, for 30 Towns	1,722	1,751	1,766	1,745	1,744	1,746
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities	**1,743**	**1,774**	**1,789**	**1,768**	**1,766**	**1,769**

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, Housing—4 and 5 rooms only, Clothing, and Miscellaneous Expenditure) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in November, 1914, as Base (= 1,000).

State and Town.	November, 1914.	November, 1920.	November, 1921.	November, 1922.	Year. 1925.	Year. 1926.	Year. 1927.	3rd Qtr. (July to Sept.) 1927.	4th Qr. (Oct to Dec.) 1927.
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	1,036	1,736	1,523	1,486	1,478	1,503	1,498	1,491	1,522
Newcastle	..	..	1,515	1,407	1,435	1,470	1,478	1,476	1,505
Broken Hill ..	..	..	1,419	1,358	1,414	1,438	1,455	1,467	1,480
Goulburn	..	..	1,504	1,430	1,498	1,527	1,546	1,554	1,571
Bathurst	..	..	1,379	1,299	1,361	1,423	1,385	1,375	1,381
(a) Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,516	1,471	1,472	1,498	1,495	1,489	1,519
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne ..	976	1,706	1,460	1,402	1,432	1,453	1,441	1,455	1,455
Ballarat	..	..	1,443	1,362	1,330	1,355	1,341	1,351	1,347
Bendigo	..	..	1,458	1,361	1,328	1,357	1,368	1,384	1,379
Geelong	..	..	1,483	1,430	1,383	1,431	1,432	1,438	1,441
Warrnambool ..	..	..	1,504	1,330	1,371	1,377	1,376	1,386	1,397
(a) Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,460	1,397	1,422	1,444	1,433	1,447	1,447
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane	889	1,534	1,344	1,276	1,344	1,383	1,342	1,339	1,346
Toowoomba ..	..	..	1,381	1,224	1,337	1,375	1,330	1,317	1,335
Rockhampton ..	..	..	1,415	1,284	1,320	1,378	1,352	1,340	1,335
Charters Towers ..	..	..	1,491	1,259	1,304	1,346	1,326	1,324	1,324
Warwick	..	..	1,447	1,297	1,314	1,384	1,376	1,377	1,380
(a) Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,370	1,271	1,339	1,381	1,343	1,338	1,345
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide	1,018	1,693	1,440	1,388	1,496	1,493	1,482	1,491	1,484
Kadina, etc. ..	..	..	1,452	1,314	1,353	1,361	1,356	1,354	1,354
Port Pirie	..	..	1,492	1,342	1,411	1,438	1,412	1,415	1,417
Mount Gambier ..	..	..	1,497	1,318	1,363	1,392	1,373	1,380	1,384
Peterborough ..	..	..	1,379	1,264	1,475	1,479	1,489	1,479	1,490
(a) Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,444	1,378	1,485	1,484	1,473	1,481	1,474
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—									
Perth, etc. ..	1,029	1,617	1,467	1,355	1,446	1,444	1,433	1,429	1,435
Kalgoorlie, etc. ..	..	..	1,526	1,403	1,468	1,458	1,433	1,435	1,423
Northam	..	..	1,499	1,394	1,467	1,452	1,437	1,437	1,435
Bunbury	..	..	1,520	1,409	1,433	1,423	1,401	1,395	1,396
Geraldton	..	..	1,537	1,412	1,494	1,472	1,469	1,470	1,479
(a) Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,484	1,370	1,450	1,446	1,432	1,430	1,434
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	999	1,765	1,556	1,450	1,496	1,506	1,453	1,455	1,422
Launceston ..	..	..	1,552	1,421	1,408	1,416	1,387	1,387	1,387
Burnie	..	..	1,459	1,338	1,385	1,393	1,362	1,363	1,357
Devonport ..	..	..	1,316	1,161	1,369	1,380	1,346	1,351	1,320
Queenstown ..	..	..	1,501	1,373	1,423	1,392	1,357	1,361	1,375
(a) Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,538	1,419	1,458	1,466	1,422	1,424	1,409
Weighted Average for 30 Towns	..	..	1,474	1,408	1,442	1,463	1,451	1,454	1,465
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities ..	b 1,000	1,697	1,474	1,420	1,451	1,471	1,458	1,461	1,472

(a) Weighted average for five towns. (b) Basis of table.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (FOOD AND GROCERIES), FOR EACH OF THIRTY TOWNS FOR THE MONTHS SPECIFIED, WITH WEIGHTED AVERAGE FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES IN 1911 AS BASE (=1000).

Particulars.	1914.	1925.		1926.		1927.		1928.		Percentage increase from July, 1914, to Mar. 1928.
	July.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	
										%
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney	1,153	1,721	1,741	1,804	1,886	1,835	1,781	1,812	1,833	59.0
Newcastle	1,147	1,745	1,767	1,817	1,871	1,837	1,788	1,812	1,824	59.0
Broken Hill	1,468	1,983	2,102	2,102	2,126	2,081	2,079	2,195	2,161	47.2
Goulburn	1,183	1,742	1,750	1,847	1,869	1,813	1,784	1,838	1,850	56.4
Bathurst	1,097	1,670	1,692	1,755	1,778	1,773	1,756	1,759	1,776	61.9
(*a*) Weighted Average ..	1,165	1,729	1,749	1,813	1,890	1,841	1,789	1,822	1,841	58.0
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	1,106	1,688	1,712	1,728	1,791	1,695	1,674	1,711	1,720	55.5
Ballarat	1,103	1,716	1,727	1,791	1,802	1,755	1,737	1,743	1,729	56.8
Bendigo	1,107	1,719	1,739	1,783	1,710	1,750	1,734	1,730	1,729	56.2
Geelong	1,089	1,668	1,679	1,740	1,770	1,716	1,711	1,708	1,716	57.6
Warrnambool	1,087	1,659	1,663	1,710	1,731	1,660	1,684	1,695	1,690	55.5
(*a*) Weighted Average ..	1,105	1,689	1,712	1,733	1,790	1,700	1,680	1,712	1,720	55.7
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	1,057	1,666	1,691	1,753	1,766	1,705	1,691	1,666	1,667	57.7
Toowoomba	1,041	1,543	1,579	1,710	1,732	1,697	1,657	1,564	1,573	51.1
Rockhampton	1,156	1,677	1,699	1,809	1,836	1,849	1,808	1,723	1,734	50.0
Charters Towers ..	1,246	1,820	1,956	1,951	1,951	2,160	2,103	1,965	1,946	56.2
Warwick	1,083	1,565	1,593	1,722	1,729	1,772	1,730	1,643	1,643	51.7
(*a*) Weighted Average ..	1,082	1,662	1,685	1,761	1,775	1,735	1,714	1,674	1,675	54.8
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	1,250	1,823	1,834	1,853	1,877	1,829	1,834	1,807	1,802	44.2
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	1,230	1,804	1,800	1,891	1,913	1,898	1,912	1,915	1,906	55.0
Port Pirie	1,291	1,867	1,899	1,985	2,009	1,916	1,917	1,902	1,889	46.3
Mount Gambier ..	1,064	1,723	1,726	1,748	1,821	1,812	1,801	1,814	1,784	67.7
Peterborough	1,340	1,919	1,941	1,910	1,908	1,960	1,946	2,008	1,996	49.0
(*a*) Weighted Average ..	1,247	1,823	1,824	1,858	1,882	1,836	1,841	1,817	1,811	45.2
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth, &c.	1,340	1,971	1,988	1,879	1,881	1,805	1,816	1,768	1,776	32.5
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,664	2,169	2,168	2,124	2,150	2,065	2,057	2,001	2,001	20.3
Northam	..	1,955	2,030	2,007	2,018	1,949	1,945	1,889	1,907	..
Bunbury	1,418	2,019	2,019	1,927	1,987	2,003	2,013	1,965	1,965	38.6
Geraldton	1,445	2,053	2,069	1,999	2,010	1,987	1,966	1,932	1,953	35.2
(*a*) Weighted Average ..	1,412	1,995	2,010	1,910	1,917	1,843	1,851	1,803	1,810	28.2
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	1,211	1,784	1,780	1,870	1,881	1,806	1,795	1,724	1,725	42.4
Launceston	1,144	1,772	1,762	1,816	1,842	1,806	1,784	1,709	1,702	48.8
Burnie	..	1,740	1,757	1,905	1,892	1,822	1,788	1,795	1,800	..
Devonport	..	1,832	1,838	1,881	1,891	1,845	1,824	1,712	1,732	..
Queenstown	1,315	1,993	2,005	2,075	2,084	2,019	1,956	1,915	1,923	46.2
(*a*) Weighted Average ..	1,201	1,789	1,785	1,864	1,878	1,816	1,799	1,729	1,729	44.0
Weighted Average for 30 Towns	1,164	1,739	1,759	1,795	1,847	1,784	1,757	1,768	1,777	52.7
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities	**1,152**	**1,734**	**1,755**	**1,786**	**1,842**	**1,774**	**1,746**	**1,760**	**1,772**	**53.8**
(*b*) Townsville (Queensland)	..	1,875	1,910	2,012	2,053	2,099	2,066	1,939	1,956	..

(*a*) Average for the five towns. (*b*) Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.

NOTE.—Corresponding index-numbers for the intervening months are given in Labour Reports, Nos. 6 to 17; in Labour Bulletins Nos. 17 and 18; and in the Quarterly Summaries of Statistics, Nos. 70 to 110.

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF NEW SOUTH WALES ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENT OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	Sydney.			Newcastle.			Broken Hill.			Goulburn.			Bathurst.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*
Bread	2 lb.	6.23	6.03	5.98	5.92	5.92	5.92	6.43	6.43	6.43	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour	25 „	57.95	55.75	57.45	59.17	59.17	60.00	60.50	59.50	57.60	54.20	54.00	52.40	55.63	54.00	54.38
Tea	lb.	26.85	26.85	26.85	27.00	27.00	28.00	32.67	32.83	32.80	28.20	28.20	28.20	27.40	28.60	28.60
Coffee	„	26.20	25.90	26.20	25.67	25.67	25.40	29.67	29.33	29.20	28.40	28.40	28.40	27.20	27.20	27.20
Sugar	„	4.63	4.60	4.60	4.92	4.92	4.92	5.18	5.18	5.18	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Rice	„	3.83	3.73	3.73	4.08	4.00	4.10	5.75	5.75	5.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.30	4.30	4.30
Sago	„	3.53	3.53	3.53	3.92	3.92	3.90	5.58	5.75	5.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.60	4.60	4.60
Jam	„	7.87	7.98	7.47	8.28	8.33	8.53	8.56	8.45	8.53	8.80	8.53	8.40	8.80	8.80	8.80
Oatmeal	„	4.49	4.48	4.42	4.50	4.40	4.88	4.74	4.89	4.77	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.96	4.96	5.09
Raisins	„	8.95	8.95	8.95	9.83	9.92	9.90	11.00	11.00	10.70	11.80	11.20	11.80	10.70	10.38	10.38
Currants	„	8.90	8.80	8.80	9.08	9.17	9.40	9.29	9.29	9.10	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.40	8.40	8.50
Starch	„	9.70	9.65	9.65	9.67	9.67	10.30	10.93	10.93	10.80	12.00	11.60	11.60	10.80	10.80	11.00
Blue	doz. sq.	14.50	14.50	14.55	15.75	15.75	16.40	14.50	14.50	13.90	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.30	17.30	17.30
Candles	lb.	11.65	11.65	11.65	12.50	12.33	12.40	12.75	12.42	12.70	12.60	12.60	12.60	12.40	12.40	12.40
Soap	„	5.35	5.35	5.55	5.53	5.53	5.70	6.70	6.20	6.18	5.61	5.61	5.61	5.67	5.67	5.67
Potatoes	14 lb.	18.50	16.42	17.08	22.00	19.50	19.20	28.50	23.50	19.80	19.50	17.40	16.20	17.10	15.00	15.00
Onions	lb.	2.33	2.67	2.33	2.25	2.42	2.80	2.33	2.50	2.60	2.30	2.60	2.80	2.50	2.70	2.70
Kerosene	gal.	24.25	23.92	23.58	25.60	25.60	25.20	33.00	33.00	31.80	26.18	27.38	27.38	24.75	24.75	24.75
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	9.05	9.05	9.05	7.86	7.86	7.86	11.71	12.00	12.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Butter	lb.	22.35	21.35	21.85	22.50	21.33	21.70	26.67	26.50	25.80	22.20	21.00	21.90	22.90	22.10	23.00
Cheese	„	15.30	14.70	14.60	14.67	14.17	14.40	18.33	18.50	17.40	15.20	15.00	14.80	17.50	17.25	17.25
Eggs	doz.	23.90	27.45	37.45	23.50	27.33	36.00	20.67	21.33	22.20	23.20	22.60	31.20	20.75	23.25	31.50
Bacon, Middle	lb.	20.00	19.70	19.40	20.40	19.80	19.50	21.67	21.33	21.60	19.80	19.80	19.20	20.00	20.00	20.00
„ Shoulder	„	12.83	12.67	12.33	16.60	16.80	17.40	17.60	18.00	18.00	15.60	14.60	14.40	14.00	14.00	14.00
Ham	„	24.31	24.06	24.06	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.83	24.33	23.60	22.33	21.00	20.67	25.00	25.00	25.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin	„	11.44	11.06	10.90	10.00	9.67	9.20	12.86	12.00	11.57	10.75	10.50	10.50	9.00	9.00	8.75
„ Ribs	„	8.61	8.33	8.20	8.42	8.17	7.80	9.86	9.40	8.86	9.38	9.38	9.38	7.50	7.50	7.25
„ Flank	„	8.56	8.17	8.20	7.75	7.50	6.90	8.00	7.20	7.20	5.75	5.75	5.75	4.75	4.75	4.75
„ Shin	„	6.06	5.89	5.60	6.33	5.92	5.40	7.86	7.20	6.86	4.60	4.60	4.60	5.50	5.50	5.50
Steak, Rump	„	16.22	15.39	15.70	13.25	12.92	12.75	18.86	17.60	17.43	15.00	14.75	14.75	11.75	11.75	11.75
„ Shoulder	„	8.56	8.22	8.25	7.92	7.58	7.20	12.86	12.00	11.71	8.50	8.25	8.25	7.50	7.50	7.50
„ Stewing	„	7.67	7.33	7.20	7.08	6.67	6.30	11.29	10.20	10.43	7.25	7.00	7.00	6.75	6.75	6.75
Beef, Corned Roll	„	9.67	9.17	9.15	9.67	9.33	9.00	13.14	12.20	11.86	9.80	9.80	9.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
„ Brisket, with bone	„	5.19	4.69	4.63	4.83	4.75	4.40	7.67	7.00	7.00	6.75	6.00	6.00	5.25	5.25	5.25
„ „ without bone	„	7.39	7.11	6.95	7.67	7.42	7.30	9.86	9.20	8.86	8.75	8.75	8.75	7.50	7.50	7.50
Mutton, Leg	„	8.39	8.33	8.55	9.83	9.50	9.50	11.71	11.40	11.43	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.50	8.50	8.50
„ Shoulder	„	6.56	6.33	6.50	7.33	6.75	6.70	10.29	9.20	9.86	7.40	6.88	6.88	7.00	7.00	7.00
„ Loin	„	9.44	9.17	9.40	9.83	9.75	9.60	11.71	11.80	11.86	10.20	10.20	10.20	8.50	8.50	8.75
„ Neck	„	6.28	6.22	6.05	7.58	7.50	7.20	9.71	9.71	9.43	5.30	5.30	5.30	3.75	3.75	3.75
Chops, Loin	„	10.89	10.61	11.20	10.08	9.42	10.00	13.00	12.00	12.29	11.40	11.40	11.40	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ Leg	„	10.11	9.00	10.00	9.92	9.75	9.80	13.71	13.20	13.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	8.75
„ Neck	„	7.83	7.56	7.95	7.75	7.58	7.70	11.86	11.60	11.43	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.75	6.50	6.75
Pork, Leg	„	14.22	13.89	14.15	14.00	13.50	13.20	15.75	15.75	15.86	12.20	13.25	13.25	12.00	12.00	12.00
„ Loin	„	15.22	15.11	14.95	13.67	13.17	12.80	15.75	15.75	15.86	12.80	14.00	14.00	12.50	12.50	12.50
„ Belly	„	12.67	12.33	12.15	11.17	10.67	10.50	15.25	15.25	15.14	11.20	11.20	11.20	10.00	10.00	10.00
„ Chops	„	15.56	15.22	15.30	14.33	13.83	13.60	17.00	17.50	16.86	14.60	14.60	14.60	13.00	13.00	13.00
House Rents	4 and 5 rooms		301.53			287.23			185.03			318.28			231.08	

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF VICTORIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENT OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	Melbourne.			Ballarat.			Bendigo.			Geelong.			Warrnambool.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*
Bread	2 lb.	5.60	5.58	5.58	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour	25 „	54.60	54.60	54.90	52.71	49.50	47.57	53.57	53.14	53.14	53.40	53.40	51.60	52.20	53.40	52.80
Tea	lb.	28.00	27.80	28.20	24.57	24.43	24.43	24.43	24.00	24.00	24.80	24.80	25.80	24.20	24.80	25.20
Coffee	„	27.10	27.00	26.80	24.57	24.57	24.57	22.86	22.86	22.86	26.50	26.50	26.90	27.60	28.80	28.80
Sugar	„	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Rice	„	3.70	3.75	3.75	3.82	3.79	3.79	4.36	4.29	4.36	3.80	3.90	3.80	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago	„	3.39	3.39	3.39	3.43	3.43	3.57	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.50	3.50	3.50
Jam	„	7.68	7.45	7.30	7.48	7.33	7.00	7.90	6.95	6.95	6.77	6.37	6.53	7.87	7.60	7.60
Oatmeal ..	„	3.78	3.83	3.84	4.04	4.00	3.96	4.46	4.39	4.46	3.85	3.70	3.90	4.71	4.51	4.71
Raisins	„	9.80	9.80	9.85	9.36	9.43	9.29	9.00	8.71	8.71	9.00	9.10	9.10	10.20	9.80	9.80
Currants ..	„	8.55	8.55	8.55	8.86	8.86	8.86	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.70	8.90	8.90	8.70	8.70	8.70
Starch	„	10.35	10.45	10.35	10.57	10.57	10.57	10.86	10.71	10.43	9.70	9.90	9.90	9.80	9.80	9.80
Blue	doz. sq.	13.70	13.00	13.40	12.86	12.43	12.43	13.14	12.07	12.57	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.60	12.60	12.60
Candles ..	lb.	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.71	11.71	11.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.20	11.20	10.80	11.20	11.20
Soap	„	5.34	5.34	5.34	5.61	5.57	5.57	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.60	5.60	5.60
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	12.57	9.79	11.05	12.07	10.29	8.36	16.29	12.71	12.00	11.60	10.00	9.30	10.88	10.50	9.30
Onions	lb.	1.00	1.64	1.93	1.21	1.71	1.86	1.36	1.93	2.07	1.24	1.70	1.70	1.13	1.40	1.50
Kerosene ..	gal.	24.04	24.04	24.34	30.86	30.86	30.86	31.29	30.86	31.29	24.60	24.60	24.60	27.30	26.70	26.70
Dairy produce—																
Milk	quart	7.70	7.70	7.70	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.50	7.50	7.50	6.00	6.20	6.20
Butter	lb.	21.45	21.50	21.10	21.14	21.14	20.71	22.29	22.07	22.00	20.75	20.95	20.65	22.00	22.00	22.00
Cheese	„	17.60	17.70	17.50	14.43	14.00	14.00	14.71	14.43	14.43	14.10	14.40	13.80	15.60	16.00	15.60
Eggs	doz.	21.45	23.45	24.25	16.86	17.57	19.14	16.00	15.86	15.43	15.40	18.20	19.60	15.25	14.60	15.00
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	23.80	22.70	22.30	22.71	21.57	21.43	22.86	21.57	21.29	23.40	22.80	22.60	21.75	21.40	21.20
„ Shoulder	„	14.71	13.88	13.88	15.29	15.33	15.33	17.00	16.33	16.00	16.20	16.20	16.20	13.75	14.60	14.60
Ham	„	25.13	24.00	23.63	23.43	22.33	22.33	24.60	22.75	22.60	23.20	23.00	22.60	24.00	23.80	23.80
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	11.50	11.50	11.55	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.00	10.14	10.14	11.20	11.20	11.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
„ Ribs ..	„	9.50	9.65	9.60	9.14	9.14	9.00	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.80	9.80	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
„ Flank ..	„	7.39	7.78	7.78	6.71	6.71	6.57	4.43	4.57	4.43	6.60	6.40	6.40	5.60	5.50	5.50
„ Shin ..	„	6.10	6.05	6.15	4.64	4.64	4.64	5.29	5.29	5.43	5.80	5.80	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50
Steak, Rump ..	„	16.50	16.50	16.70	15.29	15.29	15.29	14.14	14.14	14.14	15.60	15.60	15.80	15.60	15.60	15.60
„ Shoulder	„	8.75	8.65	8.80	8.14	8.14	8.00	8.57	8.86	8.86	8.40	8.40	8.60	8.40	8.40	8.40
„ Stewing ..	„	7.10	7.25	7.45	7.29	7.43	7.43	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.80	7.80	7.80	7.40	7.40	7.40
Beef, Corned Roll	„	10.05	9.90	10.00	10.57	10.57	10.57	9.43	9.43	9.43	10.00	10.00	10.20	9.90	9.90	9.90
„ Brisket, with bone	„	5.15	5.15	5.20	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.86	6.00	6.00	6.20	6.20	6.20	6.00	6.00	6.00
„ „ without bone	„	7.40	7.35	7.50	7.86	7.86	7.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.80	7.80	8.00	7.40	7.40	7.40
Mutton, Leg ..	„	7.55	8.05	8.05	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.86	8.86	9.14	8.60	8.70	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ Shoulder	„	4.70	4.85	5.05	6.00	6.14	6.14	6.00	6.14	6.14	5.40	5.60	5.80	6.20	6.20	6.20
„ Loin ..	„	7.40	7.65	7.45	8.00	8.14	8.14	7.71	8.00	8.14	8.00	8.20	8.40	8.20	8.20	8.20
„ Neck ..	„	4.15	4.30	4.28	5.57	5.57	5.57	5.29	5.57	5.57	5.40	5.60	5.90	6.40	6.40	6.40
Chops, Loin ..	„	9.25	9.50	9.35	9.29	9.43	9.57	9.57	9.71	10.00	9.40	9.60	9.80	9.20	9.20	9.20
„ Leg ..	„	9.44	9.56	9.50	9.71	10.00	10.14	9.57	9.57	9.86	9.20	9.40	9.60	9.40	9.40	9.40
„ Neck ..	„	5.20	5.40	5.45	6.71	7.00	7.00	6.86	7.00	6.29	6.90	7.10	7.30	7.20	7.20	7.20
Pork, Leg ..	„	13.89	14.00	14.00	12.86	13.00	13.00	13.20	12.83	13.00	14.00	13.60	14.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
„ Loin ..	„	14.67	14.44	14.89	13.14	13.14	13.14	13.40	13.33	13.20	14.25	13.80	14.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
„ Belly ..	„	13.78	13.67	14.00	12.71	12.71	12.71	13.00	12.67	13.20	14.00	13.80	14.00	11.60	11.60	11.60
„ Chops ..	„	15.44	15.22	15.44	13.33	13.43	13.43	13.60	13.60	13.60	15.00	14.60	15.00	12.20	12.20	12.20
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		287.31			175.23			208.35			261.17			219.14	

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF QUEENSLAND ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO, THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENT OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	Brisbane.			Toowoomba.			Rockhampton.			Charters Towers.			Warwick.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lbs.	5.75	5.75	5.50	6.00	5.75	5.75	6.00	6.00	5.75	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	5.75	5.50
Flour	25 ,,	61.05	56.90	56.20	69.00	67.29	64.43	68.00	65.86	65.29	74.40	73.60	73.60	70.20	67.80	66.60
Tea	lb.	26.20	26.05	26.05	26.57	26.57	27.43	26.86	26.86	26.86	29.40	31.20	31.00	29.40	29.40	29.40
Coffee	,,	30.10	30.10	30.10	26.86	26.86	26.86	31.67	31.67	31.67	31.80	31.80	31.80	27.60	26.40	28.60
Sugar	,,	4.48	4.48	4.41	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.00	5.00	5.00
Rice	,,	3.40	3.40	3.40	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.61	3.54	3.50	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	3.95
Sago	,,	2.98	2.93	2.93	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.10	4.10	3.80	3.80	3.80
Jam	,,	7.88	7.63	7.50	8.63	8.46	8.32	8.36	8.29	8.29	9.50	9.50	9.40	9.10	9.10	9.00
Oatmeal ..	,,	4.00	3.95	3.88	4.43	4.43	4.61	4.92	4.92	4.92	5.77	5.57	5.37	4.85	4.85	4.85
Raisins	,,	10.50	10.50	10.55	9.43	9.71	9.71	9.00	9.00	9.00	12.20	12.20	12.20	11.40	11.40	11.40
Currants ..	,,	9.25	9.25	9.35	9.75	9.57	9.57	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.20	10.10	10.10
Starch	,,	8.90	8.95	8.90	10.86	10.86	10.86	9.71	9.64	9.64	11.80	11.80	11.80	10.60	10.60	10.80
Blue	doz. sq.	11.65	12.10	11.65	12.00	12.00	12.00	15.14	15.14	15.14	17.80	17.80	17.80	15.80	15.80	15.80
Candles ..	lb.	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.42	10.14	10.21	11.64	11.79	11.64	14.60	14.60	14.60	12.00	12.00	12.00
Soap	,,	4.38	4.38	4.38	4.71	4.75	4.79	4.21	4.21	4.25	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.90	4.90	4.90
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	16.10	16.40	16.80	16.17	14.50	15.07	15.29	18.86	21.14	29.20	26.20	26.20	15.80	13.60	13.50
Onions	lb.	1.70	2.45	2.25	1.83	2.50	2.71	2.07	2.71	2.86	2.54	3.03	3.20	1.80	2.00	2.40
Kerosene ..	gal.	21.86	21.79	21.69	26.00	25.86	26.00	25.00	23.14	23.14	25.75	25.75	25.45	29.00	29.20	28.60
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.40	7.40	7.40	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.71	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Butter	lb.	23.00	22.90	22.90	23.92	23.79	23.71	23.57	23.57	23.71	26.00	26.00	26.00	24.40	24.40	24.40
Cheese	,,	13.95	13.90	14.05	15.00	14.71	14.57	13.64	13.64	13.64	18.80	18.40	18.60	16.80	15.20	15.20
Eggs	doz.	20.30	22.40	31.50	17.67	18.29	26.14	20.86	23.00	30.43	25.80	28.00	36.00	15.80	18.00	26.40
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	17.20	16.80	15.80	17.33	16.57	15.29	17.71	17.57	16.43	19.80	19.80	19.80	18.00	17.20	16.40
,, Shoulder	,,	11.15	11.00	10.30	12.17	10.57	9.29	13.86	13.71	13.00	16.60	16.00	16.00	14.20	13.60	13.00
Ham	,,	26.71	26.71	27.14	26.00	25.75	25.50	26.80	25.60	25.20	27.33	27.00	27.00	25.67	24.67	25.33
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	9.10	8.90	8.90	6.57	6.57	6.64	8.79	8.71	8.71	8.20	8.20	8.20	7.20	7.00	7.00
,, Ribs ..	,,	6.35	6.25	6.25	4.50	4.43	4.43	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.60	5.50	5.70
,, Flank ..	,,	5.56	5.56	5.56	3.33	3.33	3.33	5.30	5.30	5.20	5.00	4.88	4.88	3.00	3.00	2.25
,, Shin ..	,,	3.85	3.85	3.85	2.86	2.86	2.57	4.00	4.00	3.83	4.00	3.90	3.90	2.38	2.38	2.38
Steak, Rump ..	,,	11.45	11.45	11.45	9.14	9.14	8.86	10.71	10.57	10.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Shoulder ..	,,	5.70	5.70	5.70	4.29	4.29	4.29	5.57	5.50	5.50	6.10	6.10	6.10	4.80	4.80	4.80
,, Stewing ..	,,	5.10	5.15	5.15	4.00	3.93	3.86	5.07	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.40	4.40	4.40
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	8.45	8.45	8.45	6.43	6.21	6.00	6.93	6.93	6.93	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.55	6.55	6.55
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.36	4.21	4.07	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.70	4.70	4.70
,, ,, without bone	,,	6.15	6.15	6.15	5.36	5.21	5.14	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	9.05	8.65	8.85	7.64	7.50	7.50	10.14	10.14	10.14	11.60	11.60	10.40	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Shoulder	,,	6.10	6.00	6.00	4.07	4.07	4.07	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.80	7.80	7.20	5.60	5.60	5.60
,, Loin ..	,,	9.10	8.75	8.95	7.64	7.50	7.50	10.14	10.14	10.14	12.00	12.00	10.80	9.20	9.20	9.20
,, Neck ..	,,	6.40	6.30	6.30	4.67	4.67	4.67	6.00	6.00	6.00	9.60	9.60	8.20	4.20	4.20	4.20
Chops, Loin ..	,,	9.35	9.00	9.05	7.43	7.29	7.29	10.14	10.29	10.14	12.00	12.00	10.80	9.40	9.60	9.60
,, Leg ..	,,	9.35	9.00	9.05	7.57	7.43	7.43	10.14	10.29	10.14	12.00	12.00	10.80	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Neck ..	,,	7.75	7.45	7.55	6.40	6.40	6.40	9.17	9.17	9.17	10.80	10.20	9.20	5.70	5.70	5.70
Pork, Leg ..	,,	12.60	12.50	12.30	11.86	11.86	11.86	12.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.20	10.80
,, Loin ..	,,	12.70	12.50	12.40	11.86	11.86	11.86	12.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.20	10.80
,, Belly ..	,,	10.40	10.30	10.20	9.29	9.29	9.29	11.17	10.17	10.17	10.60	10.60	10.60	8.40	8.40	8.20
,, Chops ..	,,	13.10	13.10	12.90	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.40	11.40	11.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		223.27			191.89			174.68			167.35			180.08	

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENT OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	Adelaide.			Kadina etc.			Port Pirie.			Mt. Gambier.			Peterborough.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d*
Bread	2 lbs.	5.80	5.72	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour	25 ,,	56.0	55.70	55.00	54.00	53.57	53.14	65.00	64.57	64.57	61.20	60.40	60.40	64.50	64.80	64.80
Tea	lb.	27.40	27.40	27.40	29.71	29.71	29.71	29.07	29.07	28.50	30.40	30.40	30.40	30.40	30.40	30.40
Coffee	,,	27.60	27.60	27.60	32.29	32.29	32.29	30.14	30.14	30.00	31.80	31.80	31.60	32.00	32.20	32.20
Sugar	,,	4.38	4.38	4.38	4.89	4.89	4.89	4.72	4.72	4.72	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95
Rice	,,	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.71	4.71	4.71	4.43	4.43	4.43	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Sago	,,	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.13	4.20	4.20
Jam	,,	6.94	6.76	6.73	7.81	7.71	7.81	7.81	7.50	7.50	7.77	7.44	7.57	8.50	8.40	8.40
Oatmeal ..	,,	3.80	3.73	3.71	4.62	4.52	4.52	4.69	4.69	4.69	4.12	4.12	4.09	4.96	5.14	5.06
Raisins	,,	7.60	7.40	7.50	10.00	10.00	9.86	10.29	10.29	10.29	9.40	9.40	9.40	10 13.	9.80	9.90
Currants ..	,,	7.55	7.60	7.70	8.36	8.36	8.36	8.57	8.57	9.00	8.90	8.90	8.90	9.13	9.00	9.00
Starch	,,	8.80	8.80	8.80	10.64	10.33	10.57	10.14	10.14	9.67	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.88	10.90	10.80
Blue	doz. sq.	11.85	12.15	11.85	13.07	13.07	13.07	12.64	12.64	12.64	11.70	11.70	12.50	13.00	12.00	12.80
Candles ..	lb.	11.05	11.05	11.05	12.14	12.14	12.29	12.86	12.86	12.86	11.90	11.90	11.90	13.50	13.60	13.60
Soap	,,	5.08	5.06	4.98	5.51	5.50	5.50	5.20	5.20	4.76	5.36	5.12	5.36	6.25	6.30	6.30
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	17.67	14.33	13.67	28.17	21.71	19.71	24.71	20.33	17.08	12.75	12.75	11.75	27.75	23.20	18.40
Onions	lb.	1.67	1.83	1.92	2.57	2.71	2.86	2.21	2.58	2.58	1.25	1.88	1.88	1.88	2.60	2.30
Kerosene ..	gal.	21.74	21.74	21.74	24.99	24.28	25.10	26.64	26.90	26.75	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.75	27.00	26.81
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.90	7.90	7.90	7.43	7.43	7.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.80	7.80	7.80	9.00	9.00	9.00
Butter	lb.	22.85	23.25	23.30	23.57	24.71	24.71	24.14	24.50	24.50	18.60	19.20	18.80	24.75	24.20	25.30
Cheese	,,	14.30	13.90	13.50	16.00	16.00	15.43	15.29	15.29	15.17	14.40	14.60	13.75	15.75	15.80	15.80
Eggs	doz.	17.70	18.55	19.70	13.86	14.29	15.57	16.29	17.08	20.50	13.40	13.20	13.00	13.25	14.80	16.60
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	21.00	20.85	20.60	21.67	22.00	21.67	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.50	20.25	20.00	23.25	23.25	23.00
,, Shoulder	,,	15.39	15.39	15.39	18.60	18.60	18.40	17.00	17.00	17.00	19.00	16.67	16.33	20.33	20.75	20.00
Ham	,,	24.17	24.17	24.06	22.00	22.67	22.67	22.80	23.00	22.75	21.33	19.67	19.33	23.50	23.50	23.50
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	11.35	11.35	11.61	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.80	9.60	10.33	10.50	10.50
,, Ribs ..	,,	9.20	9.22	9.50	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.20	9.00	8.60	9.00	9.25	9.25
,, Flank ..	,,	9.56	9.67	9.94	7.57	7.57	7.57	5.43	5.43	5.43	7.20	7.20	6.80	9.33	10.33	10.33
,, Shin ..	,,	7.30	7.30	7.22	7.20	7.20	7.00	6.57	6.57	6.43	7.00	7.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	5.67
Steak, Rump ..	,,	15.80	15.80	16.00	14.29	14.29	14.29	15.29	15.29	15.57	13.60	13.60	13.20	15.00	15.00	15.33
,, Shoulder ..	,,	10.20	10.20	10.22	10.00	10.14	10.00	10.86	10.86	10.86	9.80	9.80	9.20	10.67	11.00	11.00
,, Stewing ..	,,	9.50	9.50	9.67	9.43	9.43	9.29	9.86	9.86	10.00	8.60	8.60	8.00	9.00	9.25	9.25
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	11.35	11.39	11.61	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.57	10.57	10.71	10.20	10.20	9.80	11.67	12.00	12.33
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	6.38	6.38	7.13	7.57	7.57	7.57	6.71	6.71	6.86	7.60	7.60	7.40	8.33	9.00	9.00
,, ,, without bone	,,	8.20	8.20	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.43	9.43	9.57	9.60	9.40	9.20	9.67	10.00	10.33
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	9.60	9.78	9.78	10.71	10.71	10.57	10.43	10.71	10.43	10.40	10.40	10.00	10.33	10.50	10.50
,, Shoulder	,,	7.65	7.70	7.94	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.29	9.43	9.29	8.40	8.40	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
,, Loin ..	,,	9.35	9.45	9.28	10.43	10.57	10.29	9.43	9.57	9.43	10.40	10.20	9.60	10.33	10.33	10.33
,, Neck ..	,,	6.90	6.95	6.89	8.29	8.14	8.29	7.29	7.29	7.86	7.80	7.80	7.80	9.33	9.50	9.67
Chops, Loin ..	,,	10.60	10.67	10.44	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.43	11.43	11.57	11.60	11.60	11.40	11.67	12.00	12.00
,, Leg ..	,,	11.30	11.44	11.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.86	11.71	12.00	11.60	11.60	11.40	11.67	12.00	12.00
,, Neck ..	,,	8.10	8.22	8.11	9.14	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.71	9.71	10.00	9.80	9.60	9.67	10.00	10.00
Pork, Leg ..	,,	14.20	14.20	14.33	12.86	12.71	12.71	11.71	11.71	11.86	12.25	12.25	12.20	11.67	12.00	12.00
,, Loin ..	,,	14.90	14.90	14.78	12.86	12.71	12.71	11.71	11.71	11.57	12.25	12.25	12.20	11.67	12.00	12.00
,, Belly ..	,,	14.60	14.60	14.56	11.71	10.57	11.57	11.43	11.43	11.43	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.67	12.00	12.00
,, Chops ..	,,	15.50	15.50	15.56	12.71	12.57	12.57	12.14	12.14	12.14	13.00	13.00	13.20	12.67	13.50	13.50
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		269.57			128.06			184.23			144.00			198.23	

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENT OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	Perth and Fremantle.			Kalgoorlie and Boulder.			Northam.			Bunbury.			Geraldton.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour	25 ,,	56.50	56.20	54.25	62.50	61.71	61.71	56.50	56.00	57.00	63.60	62.40	61.80	57.00	57.00	57.00
Tea	lb.	24.80	24.80	24.80	28.83	29.57	29.00	30.67	30.67	30.67	25.80	25.80	25.80	32.00	32.00	32.00
Coffee	,,	23.80	23.20	22.13	29.00	28.86	28.86	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.80	24.20	24.20	24.20	20.00	20.00
Sugar	,,	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.46	5.46	5.46	5.38	5.38	5.38	5.27	5.28	5.27	5.00	5.00	5.00
Rice	,,	3.48	3.43	3.53	4.67	4.64	4.71	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.20	4.20	4.20
Sago	,,	3.40	3.40	3.16	5.17	5.00	5.00	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.20	4.10	4.10	4.00	4.00	4.00
Jam	,,	7.73	7.73	7.46	8.85	8.73	8.76	8.67	8.67	8.67	9.33	9.46	9.33	9.33	9.08	9.08
Oatmeal ..	,,	3.91	4.00	4.00	4.32	4.35	4.35	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.60	4.54	4.54	5.17	5.36	5.36
Raisins	,,	7.85	7.90	8.00	9.17	9.14	9.29	8.83	9.00	8.83	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.40	9.40	9.67
Currants ..	,,	7.80	7.85	7.88	9.17	9.14	9.14	7.83	8.17	7.83	9.20	9.40	9.40	9.20	9.20	9.67
Starch	,,	9.35	9.35	9.38	11.33	11.29	11.43	10.83	10.83	10.83	11.40	11.40	11.60	12.00	12.00	12.00
Blue	doz. sq.	16.05	16.05	16.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.40	17.40	17.40	18.00	18.00	18.00
Candles ..	lb.	11.30	11.30	11.25	12.17	12.17	12.14	12.33	12.33	12.33	12.40	12.40	12.40	12.20	12.20	12.20
Soap	,,	4.83	4.91	4.96	6.78	6.33	6.42	5.21	5.21	5.21	4.90	4.90	4.90	5.67	5.21	5.21
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	18.60	18.40	17.88	23.50	23.14	22.29	23.83	23.67	24.00	21.60	21.60	21.80	27.60	25.25	26.67
Onions	lb.	2.00	2.55	2.55	2.75	3.00	3.50	2.17	2.67	3.17	2.90	3.20	3.20	3.00	2.75	3.33
Kerosene ..	gal.	21.21	21.41	21.93	34.23	31.91	31.48	24.55	24.55	24.55	23.07	23.07	23.67	27.26	27.26	27.22
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart.	8.60	8.60	8.50	9.83	9.83	9.83	7.75	7.75	7.75	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.67	6.67	6.67
Butter	lb.	22.60	22.50	21.88	25.00	24.71	24.57	25.17	25.17	25.17	23.60	24.00	24.00	26.80	26.00	25.33
Cheese	,,	15.20	14.90	15.00	16.00	15.43	15.29	16.83	16.83	16.67	17.80	17.40	17.40	17.60	17.60	17.60
Eggs	doz.	20.50	23.90	25.50	25.50	25.29	28.14	15.00	19.33	23.83	19.20	26.60	29.40	19.20	20.50	29.00
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	19.80	19.80	19.80	21.50	21.14	21.43	20.40	20.40	20.40	20.40	20.40	20.40	21.60	21.25	21.25
,, Shoulder	,,	11.72	11.72	12.56	14.00	14.29	14.29	14.80	14.80	14.80	12.80	12.40	12.40	14.80	14.80	14.80
Ham	,,	23.11	23.00	22.63	24.33	24.29	24.29	23.40	23.20	23.40	22.60	22.20	22.60	25.40	25.40	25.40
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	9.33	9.60	9.94	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.43	9.67	9.67	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Ribs ..	,,	7.50	7.65	7.94	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.93	8.07	8.17	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.25	9.25	9.25
,, Flank ..	,,	8.00	8.30	9.00	9.29	9.29	9.29	8.83	8.80	9.00	7.67	9.00	9.00	7.13	7.13	7.13
,, Shin ..	,,	6.56	6.70	7.11	6.50	6.50	6.50	7.00	7.00	7.17	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.33	7.33	7.33
Steak, Rump ..	,,	15.44	15.70	15.78	15.14	15.14	15.14	14.71	14.67	14.50	14.33	14.33	14.33	13.00	13.00	13.00
,, Shoulder ..	,,	9.00	9.20	9.44	9.14	9.14	9.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.33	10.33	10.00	9.50	9.50	10.00
,, Stewing ..	,,	7.72	7.75	8.22	7.43	7.43	7.43	8.86	8.86	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	9.22	9.10	9.33	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.57	8.83	9.83	9.33	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	4.88	5.00	5.25	6.29	6.29	6.43	5.60	5.60	5.60	6.33	6.33	6.33	6.00	6.00	6.00
,, ,, without bone	,,	7.00	7.00	7.33	8.14	8.14	8.14	7.86	7.86	7.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	9.44	9.50	9.67	9.00	9.14	9.00	9.86	10.00	10.00	11.67	11.67	11.67	10.50	10.50	10.50
,, Shoulder	,,	6.33	6.15	6.28	7.43	7.43	7.43	8.29	8.00	8.17	9.67	9.67	9.67	8.25	8.25	8.25
,, Loin ..	,,	8.78	8.70	9.11	9.43	9.71	9.71	8.71	9.17	9.17	10.67	11.33	10.67	9.75	9.75	9.75
,, Neck ..	,,	6.00	5.75	6.17	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.29	6.50	6.67	7.33	8.00	8.00	7.38	7.38	7.38
Chops, Loin ..	,,	9.89	10.00	10.33	10.57	10.57	10.57	10.00	10.00	10.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.50	10.50	10.50
,, Leg ..	,,	10.11	10.20	10.56	10.43	10.57	10.57	10.14	10.50	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.50	10.50	10.50
,, Neck ..	,,	6.78	6.80	7.11	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.71	7.71	8.00	9.00	9.33	9.33	9.50	9.25	9.50
Pork, Leg ..	,,	14.33	14.40	14.44	14.83	14.86	14.71	12.43	12.43	12.43	12.67	12.67	13.00	14.50	14.50	14.50
,, Loin ..	,,	14.11	14.20	14.22	14.33	14.57	14.43	12.00	12.33	12.33	13.00	12.67	12.67	14.50	14.50	14.50
,, Belly ..	,,	12.11	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.57	12.57	11.43	11.67	11.67	12.00	12.00	12.33	13.00	13.00	13.00
,, Chops ..	,,	14.78	14.70	14.70	14.50	14.86	14.71	13.14	13.17	13.00	13.33	12.67	12.67	14.50	14.50	14.50
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms		248.07			141.33			248.82			172.53			249.72	

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF TASMANIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1928; ALSO THE QUARTERLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE RENT OF 4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Article.	Unit.	Hobart.			Launceston.			Burnie.			Devonport.			Queenstown.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*
Bread	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.79	4.79	4.79	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour	25 ,,	57.17	56.55	56.40	53.43	52.57	52.71	54.60	54.00	54.00	54.60	54.00	54.00	58.20	57.60	57.75
Tea	lb.	26.80	26.80	26.90	24.57	24.57	24.57	27.80	27.80	27.80	28.60	28.00	28.40	29.40	29.60	29.75
Coffee	,,	23.80	23.80	23.80	24.71	24.71	24.71	25.20	25.20	25.20	26.40	26.40	26.60	27.00	27.00	27.75
Sugar	,,	4.55	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.60	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice	,,	3.95	3.90	3.90	3.71	3.79	3.71	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.20	4.20
Sago	,,	3.95	3.95	3.95	3.21	3.21	3.21	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.60	3.60	3.70	4.60	4.70	4.70
Jam	,,	7.23	7.13	7.13	7.43	7.43	7.24	8.13	8.13	8.13	7.60	7.60	7.60	8.27	8.13	8.60
Oatmeal ..	,,	4.20	4.15	4.15	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.67	4.67	4.67	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.91	4.91	4.91
Raisins	,,	9.70	9.70	9.70	8.79	8.79	8.79	9.70	9.70	9.70	10.30	10.30	10.50	11.80	11.80	11.80
Currants ..	,,	9.00	9.20	9.30	9.07	8.93	9.07	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.30	8.13	8.30	10.10	9.90	10.13
Starch	,,	10.25	10.25	10.30	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.40	10.40	10.40	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.80	11.80	11.80
Blue	doz. sq.	11.45	11.45	11.45	11.14	11.14	11.14	13.00	13.60	13.60	12.80	12.80	14.20	13.90	13.90	13.90
Candles ..	lb.	10.70	10.80	10.60	10.36	10.36	10.36	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.80	12.80	12.80
Soap	,,	5.18	5.10	5.18	5.32	5.32	5.32	5.60	5.60	5.60	6.87	6.87	6.87	6.30	6.30	6.25
Potatoes ..	14 lb.	18.00	14.67	14.61	17.00	15.50	12.83	12.00	12.00	11.80	13.20	10.25	10.80	21.40	17.40	17.38
Onions	lb.	1.78	2.28	2.06	1.73	1.92	2.50	1.50	2.10	2.20	1.80	2.50	2.50	2.30	2.50	2.50
Kerosene ..	gal.	25.36	25.36	25.36	24.36	24.36	24.36	24.90	24.90	24.90	27.00	27.00	26.90	34.70	34.70	34.70
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.33	6.33	6.33	7.75	7.75	7.75
Butter	lb.	21.80	21.70	21.70	21.29	21.43	21.43	18.80	21.00	21.20	17.60	20.00	20.80	22.40	22.40	22.25
Cheese	,,	14.40	13.45	13.70	14.79	14.57	13.71	16.80	16.40	16.20	15.80	15.75	15.00	16.20	16.20	16.20
Eggs	doz.	17.60	17.90	19.44	16.71	17.14	20.71	16.80	18.20	21.40	14.80	15.50	18.80	24.40	25.00	29.75
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	18.30	18.22	17.78	18.86	18.71	18.57	18.80	18.80	18.80	18.20	18.20	18.20	19.20	19.20	19.00
,, Shoulder	,,	10.89	10.67	10.22	11.79	11.21	11.21	14.60	14.60	14.60	13.40	13.40	13.20	18.80	13.80	13.80
Ham	,,	20.80	20.80	20.00	22.43	20.67	21.50	20.40	19.80	18.60	18.80	18.75	18.60	19.80	19.80	19.50
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	10.11	10.10	10.10	10.43	10.14	10.33	10.40	10.20	10.00	10.67	10.67	10.33	11.67	11.67	11.67
,, Ribs ..	,,	8.67	8.60	8.60	8.71	8.71	8.71	9.80	9.60	9.60	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33
,, Flank ..	,,	7.44	7.10	7.10	6.92	7.17	7.17	7.40	7.20	7.20	6.00	5.67	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
,, Shin ..	,,	5.63	5.44	5.44	5.21	5.21	5.21	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.33	6.33	6.33	11.00	11.00	11.00
Steak, Rump ..	,,	15.33	15.10	15.20	13.29	13.29	13.29	12.40	12.20	12.20	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.67	13.67	13.67
,, Shoulder ..	,,	8.22	8.10	8.10	8.86	8.86	8.86	10.00	9.80	10.00	10.00	9.67	10.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
,, Stewing ..	,,	8.11	8.00	8.10	8.29	8.29	8.29	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.67	10.67	10.67
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	9.56	9.80	9.80	9.57	9.43	9.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	5.39	5.20	5.30	5.64	5.50	5.50	7.80	7.60	7.60	7.33	7.33	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
,, ,, without bone	,,	8.00	8.11	8.11	8.14	7.86	7.86	9.20	9.40	9.40	8.33	8.33	8.33	10.67	10.67	10.67
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	8.11	8.20	8.05	9.43	9.29	9.29	11.60	11.60	11.60	10.67	11.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
,, Shoulder	,,	5.89	6.30	6.20	7.57	7.43	7.17	9.40	9.40	9.50	8.00	8.00	8.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Loin ..	,,	7.89	8.00	7.95	9.29	9.00	9.00	11.60	11.60	11.60	11.00	10.67	10.67	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Neck ..	,,	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.86	6.86	6.86	9.00	9.00	9.25	7.67	7.00	7.67	8.67	8.67	8.67
Chops, Loin ..	,,	10.33	10.20	10.70	12.29	12.71	12.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
,, Leg ..	,,	10.67	10.60	10.40	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.33	10.33	10.33
,, Neck ..	,,	7.67	7.80	7.60	8.57	8.43	8.43	10.20	10.20	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.67	9.67
Pork, Leg ..	,,	12.78	12.40	12.60	12.14	12.29	12.29	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.33	11.33	11.33	13.67	13.67	13.67
,, Loin ..	,,	13.00	13.50	13.30	12.29	12.29	12.29	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.67	11.33	11.33	13.67	13.67	13.67
,, Belly ..	,,	12.22	12.40	12.60	12.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	12.67	12.67	12.67
,, Chops ..	,,	14.22	13.90	14.00	13.00	12.86	12.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.33	12.00	12.00	13.67	13.67	13.67
House Rents ..	4 and 5 rooms.		248.50			225.92			205.51			199.98			116.50	

Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS, 1861 TO MARCH, 1928, COMPUTED TO YEAR 1911 AS BASE (=1,000).

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Jute, Leather, &c.	III. Agricultural Produce, &c.	IV. Dairy Produce.	V. Groceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Building Materials.	VIII. Chemicals.	All Groups.
1861	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1901	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1920	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
January	1,856	2,071	1,753	1,617	1,750	1,985	2,171	1,923	1,855
February	1,851	2,154	1,676	1,680	1,760	1,874	2,083	1,991	1,839
March	1,815	2,162	1,711	1,813	1,765	1,898	2,022	1,975	1,857
April	1,813	2,102	1,801	1,996	1,778	1,910	2,042	1,943	1,894
May	1,829	1,992	1,810	2,066	1,759	2,467	2,045	1,915	1,940
June	1,819	2,120	1,793	2,081	1,757	3,244	2,025	1,903	2,035
July	1,825	2,044	1,808	2,006	1,752	3,614	1,950	1,972	2,052
August	1,822	1,836	1,756	1,786	1,754	3,773	1,991	1,950	2,000
September	1,820	2,058	1,741	1,745	1,751	3,069	1,992	1,940	1,957
October	1,817	2,152	1,839	1,732	1,725	2,586	1,994	1,894	1,946
November	1,819	2,433	1,844	1,730	1,707	2,351	1,993	1,894	1,969
December	1,823	2,650	1,803	1,794	1,700	2,177	1,984	1,894	1,982
January	1,823	2,657	1,733	1,794	1,707	2,366	1,981	1,894	1,984
February	1,833	2,606	1,653	1,753	1,716	2,443	1,942	1,826	1,957
March	1,833	2,497	1,592	1,628	1,721	2,339	1,943	1,826	1,899
April	1,832	2,529	1,580	1,593	1,700	2,351	1,891	1,808	1,893
May	1,833	2,491	1,609	1,682	1,714	2,145	1,884	1,803	1,884
June	1,830	2,324	1,619	1,673	1,729	2,199	1,851	1,803	1,863
July	1,834	2,308	1,629	1,721	1,731	2,077	1,825	1,788	1,855
August	1,835	2,282	1,688	1,673	1,719	1,937	1,762	1,784	1,843
September	1,838	2,250	1,644	1,667	1,720	2,178	1,705	1,784	1,846
October	1,839	2,332	1,669	1,619	1,726	2,157	1,689	1,784	1,861
November	1,841	2,347	1,659	1,535	1,729	2,221	1,674	1,784	1,859
December	1,848	2,391	1,686	1,519	1,745	2,258	1,627	1,784	1,878
January	1,848	2,303	1,700	1,450	1,751	2,258	1,666	1,784	1,863
February	1,838	2,271	1,671	1,475	1,743	2,307	1,663	1,784	1,854
March	1,839	2,158	1,665	1,571	1,731	2,151	1,698	1,784	1,826
April	1,834	2,072	1,657	1,622	1,708	2,129	1,696	1,771	1,807
May	1,829	1,963	1,697	1,731	1,718	2,164	1,710	1,771	1,815
June	1,826	2,000	1,699	1,708	1,710	2,449	1,833	1,759	1,854
July	1,831	1,900	1,755	1,689	1,721	2,419	1,758	1,759	1,846
August	1,836	1,884	1,764	1,687	1,722	2,463	1,705	1,759	1,848
September	1,880	1,810	1,823	1,705	1,718	2,322	1,718	1,759	1,845
October	1,871	1,772	1,975	1,728	1,707	2,114	1,698	1,881	1,860
November	1,876	1,769	2,118	1,683	1,723	1,906	1,710	1,881	1,878
December	1,907	1,695	2,034	1,586	1,723	1,862	1,673	1,784	1,830
January	1,908	1,743	1,999	1,693	1,725	1,879	1,663	1,784	1,840
February	1,910	1,711	1,978	1,782	1,735	1,774	1,634	1,784	1,826
March	1,907	1,661	2,001	1,862	1,731	2,025	1,622	1,784	1,856
April	1,909	1,649	1,998	2,000	1,732	2,481	1,617	1,776	1,912
May	2,035	1,642	1,965	1,968	1,732	2,365	1,611	1,776	1,904
June	1,908	1,598	1,971	1,927	1,727	2,201	1,638	1,828	1,861
July	1,917	1,586	1,988	1,822	1,739	2,023	1,705	1,843	1,843
August	1,930	1,622	2,039	1,747	1,728	1,914	1,761	1,843	1,848
September	1,943	1,574	2,017	1,687	1,743	1,679	1,691	1,843	1,805
October	1,932	1,424	2,004	1,627	1,728	1,599	1,692	1,843	1,758
November	1,966	1,391	2,040	1,605	1,731	1,640	1,670	1,843	1,768
December	1,993	1,386	2,017	1,690	1,715	1,591	1,670	1,843	1,765
January	1,994	1,447	1,898	1,732	1,714	1,735	1,659	1,843	1,760
February	1,982	1,507	1,821	1,746	1,704	1,698	1,613	1,843	1,741
March	1,977	1,542	1,667	1,748	1,696	1,775	1,618	1,860	1,710
April	1,978	1,587	1,652	1,806	1,711	1,753	1,643	1,840	1,720
May	1,960	1,580	1,674	1,872	1,724	1,823	1,645	1,840	1,738
June	1,956	1,547	1,728	1,927	1,722	2,013	1,660	1,840	1,772
July	1,970	1,637	1,789	1,931	1,730	2,253	1,663	1,872	1,833
August	1,956	1,684	1,857	1,893	1,739	2,472	1,674	1,872	1,879
September	1,958	1,833	1,930	1,883	1,729	2,655	1,578	1,872	1,936
October	1,943	1,782	2,086	1,837	1,732	2,730	1,562	1,904	1,972
November	1,943	1,832	1,928	1,766	1,745	2,348	1,548	1,904	1,892
December	1,930	1,821	1,879	1,738	1,743	2,077	1,619	1,904	1,848
January	1,928	1,836	1,860	1,721	1,728	2,211	1,709	1,904	1,860
February	1,922	1,849	1,774	1,683	1,710	2,197	1,718	1,945	1,829
March	1,917	1,912	1,710	1,651	1,715	2,289	1,739	1,945	1,830

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA, 1871 to 1927.

Heading.		Years.						
		1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1926–27.
Population	Males	928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,798,727 (f)	3,189,823
	Females	771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,710,346 (f)	3,045,031
	Total	1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,509,073 (f)	6,234,854
Births	No.	63,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136.198 (f)	133,698
	Rate	38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95 (f)	21.67
Deaths	No.	22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076 (f)	58,282
	Rate	13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91 (f)	9.45
Marriages	No.	11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869 (f)	49,036
	Rate	6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59 (f)	7.95
Agriculture—								
Wheat	Area, acs.	1,279,778	2,995,814	3,334,957	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	11,687,919
	Yld., bshl.	11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	160,761,886
	Av. ,,	9.31	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	13.75
Oats	Area, acs.	225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	844,114
	Yld., bshl.	4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	12,571,203
	Av. ,,	18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	14.89
Barley	Area, acs.	48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	370,943
	Yld , bshl.	726,158	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	6,930,953
	Av. ,,	15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	18.68
Maize	Area, acs.	142,078	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	286,178
	Yld., bshl.	4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438	6,970,273
	Av. ,,	32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	24.36
Hay	Area, acs.	303,274	768 388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,351	2,994,519	2,699,631
	Yld., tons	375,871	767 194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	3,902,189	3,487,352
	Av. ,,	1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.29
Potatoes a	Area, acs.	67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149.144	139,445
	Yld., tons	212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	373,176
	Av. ,,	3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.68
Sugar Cane d	Area, acs.	5,073	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,356	199,440
	Yld., tons	c	c	c	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	3,155,916
	Av. ,,	c	c	c	15.73	16.65	18.99	15.87
Vineyards	Area, acs.	15,561	14.569	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,120
	Wine, gal.	1,995,987	1,438,060	3,437,598	5,262,447	4,975,147	8,542,573	20,456,341
Total value all agricultural production ..	£	8,941,000	15,519,000	16,988,000	23,835,000	38,774,000	81,890,000	98,294,503
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock	Sheep No.	40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	96,886,234	86,119,068 (e)	104,266,694
	Cattle ,,	4,277,228	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	14,441.309 (e)	11,888,077
	Horses ,,	701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182 (e)	2,107,506
	Pigs ,,	586,017	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	960.385 (e)	988,995
Wool prod.	lb. greasy	179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	721,298,288	721,678,346	897,796,858
Butter production	lbs.	c	c	42,314,585	103,747,295	212,073,745	267,071,340	254,677,677
Cheese production	,,	c	c	10,130,945	11,845,153	15,886,712	32,653,003 (e)	28,799,320
Bacon and ham	,,	c	c	16,771,886	34,020,629	53,335,092	58,626,469 (e)	73,374,679
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairying production ..	£	20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	73,622,000	114,465,000 (e)	160,488,000
Mineral production—								
Gold ..	£	7,916,627	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,017,538	10,551,624	4,018,685	2,141,742
Silver and lead	£	36,046	45,622	3,736,352	2,248,598	3,022,177	1,539,992 (e)	4,916,055
Copper ..	£	830,242	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957 (e)	565,743
Tin ..	£	24,020	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418 (e)	854,524
Zinc ..	£	369	200	2,979	4.067	1,415,169	283.455 (e)	1,462,485
Coal (black)	£	330,510	637,865	1,912,353	2,602,733	3,927,360	10,983,757 (e)	11,866,945
Total value of all mineral production ..	£	9,190,330	7,820,290	12,074,106	21,816,772	23,302,878	19,977,384	24,007,231
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber sawn or hewn	1,000 sup. ft.	c	c	c	452,131	604,794	590,495 (e)	739,799
Manufactories —								
No. of factories		b	b	b	b	14,455	18,023 (e)	21,242
Hands employed	No.					311,710	395,425 (e)	450,920
Wages paid ..	£					27,528,377	68,050,861 (e)	86,724,683
Value added by manufacture ..	£					51,259,004	121,674,119 (e)	155,424,259
Total value of output	£					133,022,090	320,340,765 (e)	400,342,393

(a) Partly estimated 1871 and 1881. (b) Owing to variation in classification and lack of information effective comparison is impossible. (c) Information not available. (d) Area of productive cane. (e) 1926 figures. (f) 31st December, 1927.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA, 1871 TO 1927—*continued.*

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1926–27.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels ent. & cleared { No.	2,748	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,674	3,261
{ ton.	1,312,642	2,549,364	4,726,307	6,541,991	9,984,801	9,503,018	11,163,975
Commerce (*c*)—							
Imports oversea £	17,017,000	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,434,000	66,967,488	103,066,436	164,716,594
,, per head £	10/3/3	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	26/19/1
Exports oversea £	21,725,000	27,528,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	127,846,535	144,895,183
,, per head £	12/19/6	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	23/14/3
Total oversea trade £	38,742,000	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	146,449,746	230,912,971	309,611,777
,, per head £	23/2/9	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	50/13/4
Customs and excise duties .. £	(*e*)	4,809,326	7,440,869	8,656,530	13,515,005	27,565,199	43,462,981
,, per head £	(*e*)	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	7/2/3
Principal Oversea Exports (*a*)—							
Wool { lb. (greasy)	176,635,800	328,369,200	619,259,800	518,018,100	720,364,900	927,833,700	827,799,662
{ £	9,459,629	13,173,026	19,940,029	15,237,454	26,071,193	47,977,044	60,053,358
Wheat { cental	479,954	3,218,792	5,876,875	12,156,035	33,088,704	59,968,334	44,355,189
{ £	193,732	1,189,762	1,938,854	2,774,643	9,641,608	28,644,155	20,785,414
Flour { tons	12,988	49,549	33,363	96,814	175,891	359,734	493,464
{ £	170,415	519,635	328,423	589,604	1,391,529	5,519,881	6,254,316
Butter { lb.	1,812,700	1,298,800	4,239,500	34,607,400	101,722,100	127,347,400	76,516,497
{ £	45,813	39,383	206,868	1,451,168	4,637,362	7,968,078	5,447,224
Skins and hides £	100,123	316,878	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	3,136,810	8,547,198
Tallow .. £	914,278	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,935,836	1,441,795	1,415,888
Meats .. £	566,780	362,965	460,894	2,611,244	4,303,159	5,542,102	5,198,812
Timber (undressed) £	42,586	118,117	38,448	731,301	1,023,960	1,158,166	1,422,922
Gold .. £	7,184,833	6,445,365	5,703,532	14,315,741	12,045,766	3,483,239	11,373,771
Silver and lead £	37,891	57,954	1,932,278	2,250,253	3,212,584	2,697,130	5,317,018
Copper .. £	598,538	676,515	417,687	1,619,145	2,345,961	705,358	161,411
Coal .. £	134,355	361,081	645,972	986,957	900,622	1,099,899	965,899
Govt. Railways—							
Lgth. of line open, mls.	970	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,296	25,523
Capital cost £	19,269,786	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,223,779	152,194,603	237,479,693	303,785,388
Gross revenue £	1,102,650	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,468	17,847,837	35,936,900	48,592,836
Working expenses £	608,332	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,133,617	10,945,727	29,969,954	39,990,887
Per cent. of work'g expenses on earnings %	55.17	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	83.39	82.30
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with No.	24,382,000	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,063,000	569,343,456	796,145,400
,, per head ,,	14.54	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	104.36	130.29
Newspapers dealt with No.	3,336,000	38,063,000	85,280,000	102,727,000	141,638,000	130,882,425	188,715,200
,, per head ,,	7.95	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	24.18	30.88
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £	2,456,487	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,406,175	876,428*b*	211,187	200,943
Coin & bullion held £	6,168,869	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,737,572	30,024,225	22,092,371	24,475,262
Advances .. £	26,039,573	57,732,824	129,741,583	89,167,499	116,769,133	233,214,626	253,180,484
Deposits .. £	21,856,959	53,849,455	98,345,338	90,965,530	147,103,081	273,866,737	343,075,508
Savings Banks—							
Number of accounts open ..	100,713	250,070	614,741	964,553	1,600,112	3,327,456	4,461,904
Total deposits £	3,193,285	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	154,396,051	204,573,963
Aver. per account £	31/14/2	31/8/2	25/5/6	32/0/4	37/2/4	46/8/0	45/17/0
,, ,, head of population £	1/18/9	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	33/3/5
State Schools—							
Number of Schools ..	2,502	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445 (*d*)	10,203
Teachers .. No.	4,641	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120 (*d*)	29,000
Enrolment .. ,,	236,710	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042 (*d*)	883,925
Aver. attendance ,,	137,767	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498 (*d*)	730,571

(*a*) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (*b*) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue. (*c*) Figures for Commerce for year 1921 relate to year ended 30th June following. (*d*) 1926 figures; teachers partly estimated. (*e*) Not available.

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